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## Greek idols to crash

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Most of the good soccer is played in the NSL Southern Division. The North is rougher, with more fouls, more kicking, more use of the elbow. So said Adelaide Juventus coach Zoran Matic as he prepared for the first leg of the national final, against Sydney Olympic, at Hindmarsh Stadium in Adelaide at 2.30pm on Sunday.

The second leg is at Parramatta Stadium at 3pm on Sunday week. It is the only time apart from the 1979 National Cup final that South Australia and NSW have been pitted against each other in a major final. In 1979, under coach Rale Rasic, Adelaide Juventus triumphed over St. George Budapest 3-2, with John Nyskohus scoring twice and his brother Bugsy once.

"The Southern Division plays the better soccer," Matic said. "There is generally more skill here than in Sydney. My players do not like the physical type of game but they will have to be ready for it."

"We have won one grand final. We can win another. In two games against Footscray JUST, we were behind, but we came back. You can never write us off, even when we're not at our best."

"I hope that everyone now realises that soccer is not confined to only Melbourne and



● Schaefer



● Matic

Sydney, although you'd wonder if you saw the amount of time we get on TV."

Sydney Olympic's resilience was tested against St. George in the Northern final, as St. George led 2-1 before Olympic won 3-2 in extra time.

Manfred Schaefer coaches Olympic. He wasn't called the "Iron Man" for nothing. It is a quality he demands from his players.

Marshall Soper caused the St. George defence no end of problems as central striker, so he's sure to play there against Neville Flounders. Paul Shillabeer probably will watch Chris Kalantzis, as he watched Zdravko Lujic, and perhaps Alex Tobin will keep an eye on Stuart Johnstone.

Soper and Kalantzis are idols to the Greek fans of Sydney but Joe Mullen and Steve Maxwell of Adelaide Juventus are at least as good, if not better.

It is in midfield that we will

see the most intriguing contests.

Vicente Estaville has achieved a near-legendary reputation in Sydney and Peter Raskopoulos long has been a crowd favorite.

The Adelaide Juventus midfielder, however, is considered by many as the finest unit in Australian soccer.

Adrian Santrac is the distributor, the "corrector". Sergio Melita and Aurelio Vidmar are the multi-purpose men, with Vidmar also having shown deadly goalscoring form in the finals. Charley Villani is the deep-lying forward, the man who scores every second game at least while also doing a fair amount of chasing back.

While Olympic has class and strength, however, I believe Juventus is a better team unit while also having a slight edge, overall, in ball skills.



● Adelaide Juventus captain Bugsy Nyskohus holds up the NSL Southern Division grand final trophy at Olympic Park on Sunday. At left is Adrian Santrac. Juventus had beaten Footscray JUST 2-1 in the final. Nyskohus was there in 1979 when Juventus won its previous major trophy — the 1979 National Cup. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

## Markovski's on his own

John Markovski of George Cross is the only Victorian in the newly-selected Australian Youth team that travels to New Zealand for an international match on October 25.

The Young Socceroos, under coach Les Scheinflug, will play the young Kiwis as the early game to the senior Australia-New Zealand clash in Auckland.

The 15-player squad was drawn from the 24 players under review for the 1987 World Youth Cup, which starts in Canada on July 12.

But Scheinflug said he might be forced to make at least one change as Adelaide Hellas midfielder Lou Hristodoulou has an achilles tendon injury.

That could leave a position open for

Victorians Paul Trimboli or John Anastasiadis.

There will be 24 players in a week's camp at the AIS on return from New Zealand.

After that 15 will be chosen to play the Australian Schoolboys team in the early match to the return Australia-New Zealand match.

The squad for New Zealand is: Goalkeepers: George Bouhoutsas (NSW), Brett Hughes (NSW). Defenders: Damien Harley (SA), Kurt Reynolds (AIS), Darren Northam (Northern NSW), Alex Cummings (AIS). Midfielders: Jason Polak (AIS), John Koch (AIS), Lou Hristodoulou (SA), Craig Moffitt (NSW), John Markovski (Vic). Strikers: Scott Ollerenshaw (NSW), Alistair Edwards (WA), Jason van Blerk (AIS), Abbas Saad (NSW).

## Match for earthquake victims

● The Socceroos will meet a Victorian Select at Olympic Park on Wednesday, October 22 to aid victims of the earthquake in Kalamata, Greece. The Victorians will be selected and coached by John Margaritis (Hellas) and Brian Gavoy (Heidelberg). The match will prepare the Socceroos for their clashes with New Zealand.



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# THE NSL FINALS

# Saints furious with Monteverde



● Mike Coady — tripped Pedro Ricoy inside the penalty area but referee Monteverde waved play on.

**Man of the match:**  
**P. RASKOPOULOS**  
(Olympic)

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (32nd Phillips, 66th Soper, 116th Kalantzis) ST. GEORGE 2 (Petkovski 35th, J. O'Shea 54th), after extra time. Northern Division Grand Final at Parramatta Stadium, Sunday. Crowd: 11,305. Referee: Monteverde 2. Cautions: Soper (SO); M. O'Shea (St. G). Sent off: R. O'Shea (St. G); Johnstone (SO).

OLYMPIC: Meier 8 — Rogers 8, Coady 9, Dakos 8 (Zervas 94th), Spanoudakis 7 (Phillips 8, Raskopoulos 9, Johnstone 7 (sent off), Estavillo 8 — Soper 7 (Patalis 98th), Kalantzis 9. Coach: Manfred Schaefer 10.

ST. GEORGE: Greedy 8 (Skeen 7, Ratcliffe 6, M. O'Shea 7, R. O'Shea 7 (sent off) — Boogaard 6 (Orszagh 91st), Ricoy 8, J. O'Shea 9 — Petkovski 6 (Ollarenshaw 85th), Koczka 7, Fletcher 5. Coach: Frank Arok.

Sydney Olympic celebrated its second Grand Final win in three years with Chris Kalantzis, Olympic's speedy striker, the hero of the day.

His goal, close to the end of extra time, gave Olympic its second Northern Division Grand Final win. David Skeen had the ball, well inside Olympic's half. Miklos Orszagh was nearby and unattended. Skeen fiddled about and lost the ball to Gary Phillips who quickly sent it forward to Kalantzis who then sped past David Ratcliffe to score the winning goal.



**Alex Vesic**

Kalantzis took his shirt off as hundreds of Olympic supporters invaded the pitch and the game was stopped for a considerable time before referee Monteverde could resume proceedings.

Saints came back gallantly and looked to have the measure of Olympic when Andy Koczka won the ball from Coady to provide Pedro Ricoy with an ideal opportunity to score. Ricoy looked set to find the net when Coady tripped him from behind but referee Monteverde was unmoved. Saints players besieged the referee but all to no avail and the game drew to a controversial close.

Monteverde earned the ire of Saints supporters earlier on when he sent off Robert O'Shea after a scuffle which saw Stuart Johnstone trip O'Shea then elbow him from behind for good measure. A free kick was awarded to St George, then suddenly out came the red card for both O'Shea and Johnstone!

St George was bitter about the refereeing. Koczka was brought down inside the area in the 47th minute but the ref waved play on, then after 98 minutes Phillips was allowed a chance after being five metres offside. The linesman put his flag up but was over-ruled by the referee to allow Phillips to face Terry Greedy. The Saints keeper saved but bitterness



● St. George defender David Skeen — had a hand in Olympic's winning goal.

**Man of the match:**  
**GARY PHILLIPS**  
(Olympic)

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 4 (Phillips pen. 51st, Soper 65th, 75th, Johnstone 102nd) SYDNEY CROATIA 3 (Odzakov pen. 21st, Arnold 57th, Jurin 63rd) after extra time. Northern Division preliminary final at St. George Stadium. Crowd: 8,305. Cautions: Odzakov, Petkovic, Lamond (SC); Dakos, Raskopoulos (Oly.). Referee: Don Campbell 9.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 8 — Rogers 8, Dakos 8, Coady

# Olympic back from the dead

By ALEX VESIC

7, Spanoudakis 7 (Zervas 115th) — Phillips 9, Estavillo 8, Raskopoulos 7, Johnstone 8 — Kalantzis 7, Soper 7 (Patalis 95th). Coach: Manfred Schaefer.

SYDNEY CROATIA: Watson 7 — Savor 8, Rumora 7, M. Kovacic 8 (Kero 120th), Jennings 7 — Odzakov 8, Petkovic 6 (A. Kovacic 105th), Clinch 6 — Jurin 6, Arnold 6, Lamond 7. Coach: Vedran Rozic.

In one of the best games ever seen at St. George Stadium, Sydney Olympic came back from the dead to overpower galant, but tiring Sydney Croatia after extra time.

Down 3-1 with 27 minutes to

go, Olympic looked doomed.

Two quick goals by Croatia in the space of six minutes had looked sufficient to send it into the Grand Final.

After a short corner by Manis Lamond to Zeljko Jurin, the tall Croatia striker sent in a curling cross which was headed home by Graeme Arnold to give Croatia the edge after 57 minutes.

Six minutes later, Manny Spanoudakis fiddled about on the left flank, lost the ball and from a swift counter-attack Arnold raced in to slam a hard right footer across the area and past Gary Meier for Jurin to sidefoot into the net.

Earlier on, Croatia led from the penalty spot after Zarko Odzakov scored following an infringement by Tony Dakos. He was ruled to have tripped Jurin.

Gary Phillips equalised from the spot after Shane Clinch brought down Vicente Estavillo.

The Croatia defence looked solid indeed and few would have believed that Olympic could score one, let alone make up a deficit of two goals.

Then came one of those mistakes in football that supporters talk about for years to come. It was an error by Jurin which gave away the simplest of goals to Sydney Olympic.

Only two minutes after Jurin put Croatia 3-1 up, the referee awarded a free kick to Croatia on the left flank, about 10 metres inside Olympic's half. Inexplicably, Jurin decided to send a 60 metre pass back to Steve Watson. The goalkeeper did not expect it and the Croatia defenders certainly didn't. Marshall, Soper, quick to spot the opportunity, raced in to round Watson and score.

Odzakov and Marjan Kovacic slumped to the floor in disbelief. Jurin hung his head low, but it was too late. Olympic was on the way back.

Only two minutes later came another mistake, this time at the other end. Mike Coady's backpass to Meier was short and Lamond pounced to round the Olympic keeper but with

the goal at his mercy he hit the ball into the side netting!

Olympic stormed forward searching for an equaliser and yet again a piece of good fortune favoured Olympic.

With 15 minutes to go, Peter Raskopoulos controlled the ball some 30 metres from goal then found an unmarked Soper on the edge of the penalty area. Soper's right footer was fierce but well covered by Watson. On its way to goal the ball struck a defender, changed its course and brushed the post as it went in!

Soper struck another blow two minutes later from a melee inside the Croatia penalty area to give Olympic what looked like the winner. But referee Don Campbell disallowed the goal after consulting his linesman, who had his flag up long before Soper struck.

Croatia hung on grimly in the closing minutes to survive, then came another half hour of sizzling entertainment.

Shane Clinch was given an opportunity five minutes into the first period of extra time and managed to chip the advancing keeper but missed the target, then came the winner from Stuart Johnstone.

A corner by Estavillo found Johnstone at the far post and he headed the ball in, under the crossbar.

From then on Croatia slumped and looked a beaten team. Terry Patalis, on for Soper, could have emulated the Australian striker with the opportunities he was given. He had chances in the 109th and 111th minutes to score but on both occasions shot straight at Watson.

Then Phillips broke through with one minute remaining but his lob scraped the crossbar.

This fierce battle was won in the end by Olympic but the real winners were some 8,000 fans who let their players know that they were right behind them throughout this match. Chants of "Croatia, Croatia..." one moment and "Olympic, Olympic..." the next showed just how much spectators appreciate good football.



● Peter Raskopoulos

The first was in the 39th minute. He was facing an empty net but managed to screw his header against the post then a few minutes later he missed again when put through by Koczka.

John O'Shea put Saints ahead after Koczka challenged Garry Meier in the air and the Olympic keeper lost the ball in the 54th minute with Olympic players furious at the referee for allowing the goal.

Soper almost made it 2-2 after a mistake by Ratcliffe in the 56th, but Soper's header went straight to Greedy. Then Ratcliffe headed off the line in the 60th, followed by a superb header by Kalantzis that was saved by Greedy.

A chance fell to Tony Dakos in the 64th but Saints survived again.

What could have been a four-goal blitz by Olympic turned into just one as Johnstone met a cross by Kalantzis to pave the way for Soper to score in the 66th.

Then came the dismissals of O'Shea and Johnstone but the extra time period belonged to Olympic.

Kalantzis headed against the crossbar in the 95th, Greedy saved at the feet of Phillips in the 98th, then Kalantzis faced Greedy in the 109th but the scoreline remained at 2-2.

In the end it was an error that would decide the issue. David Skeen was the culprit and Kalantzis the hero.

I certainly thoroughly enjoyed the game.

Olympic wanted to win just a little more than St George and in the end its players deserved to triumph.

Heartiest congratulations to coach Manfred Schaefer for the great job he has done with this side. Should Olympic maintain its momentum Adelaide Juventus will have its fair share of problems in the two-legged national final.

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## THE NSL FINALS

## JUST too cocky

Man of the match:  
**ERNIE TAPAI**  
(JUST)



Craig MacKenzie

**ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 2 (Vidmar 74th, Maxwell 79th) FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (Curovic 48th).** Southern Division Grand Final at Olympic Park, No. 1. Crowd: 158. Cautions: Vukcevic, Tapai, Curovic (JUST), Maxwell, Santrac, Mullen, Flounders, Melta (Ad. Juventus). Referee: Gary Power 5.

**ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS:** McNally 6 — Shillabeer 8, Flounders 7, Nyskohus 7, Tobin 6 — Villani 4, Melta 7, Santrac 6, Vidmar 8 — Mullen 6, Maxwell 7. Coach: Zoran Matic.

**FOOTSCRAY JUST:** Nikitovic 5 — Barjaktarevic 5 (Petrovski 80th), Vukcevic 6, Karic 7 — Stosic 7, Tapai 9, Belic 6, Bozinovski 5 (Burlak 80th), Spink 7, Curovic 5 — Lujic 5. Coach: Dragoslav Sekularac.

Footscray JUST got cocky and Adelaide City Juventus had the last laugh.

That's the only way to describe a match which JUST held a firm grip of for most of the second half after a stunning goal from Suleiman Curovic.

Vlado Stosic, hardly sighted in the first half, ran riot in the second half, Ernie Tapai was well, Ernie Tapai and with about 20 minutes to go we all were wondering what had happened to Juve's midfield.

Cries of "Ole! Ole!" came from JUST fans as Stosic and Tapai teased opponents at will. JUST had done it. Or so it seemed.

Two goals to Juventus in five minutes silenced the JUST fans. It now was the turn of the black and white army which had travelled from Adelaide to take over Olympic Park No.1 madly waving their flags and banners and chanting "Juve! Juve!"

It was stirring stuff. JUST had paid the ultimate price for not being more direct during a 20-minute period of the second half in which it should have put Juventus out of its misery.

The first half was scrappy. Players found little room in which to operate and with virtually six men strung across

midfield JUST was determined to stifle Juventus in this area. Warren Spink, a striker, played in a very deep role in this half while Suleiman Curovic was tagging Charley Villani and Vlatko Belic only got forward for set-piece situations. Zdravko Lujic was JUST's only forward but he was held in check all afternoon, mainly by Paul Shillabeer because Lujic tried to operate down the left flank.

JUST first threatened Juventus in the 8th minute. Lujic crossed from the left and Vojislav Vukcevic won the ball in the air. It struck a defender and fell to Spink but Willie McNally charged out of goal to smother superbly.

Three minutes later, Serge Melta beat a defender out wide on the left and sent over a tantalising cross. Steve Maxwell was fractionally underneath the ball but he "Maradonad" it in. Referee Gary Power was quick to spot that Maxwell had handled and gave a free kick to JUST.

Rade Barjaktarevic was marking Maxwell and did a good job until the last 20 minutes. Tom Karic was on Joe Mullen and Karic had a fine game, indeed, he was the pick of the JUST defenders.

In the 18th minute, a sweet interpassing movement from Juventus saw Mullen skip past the last JUST defender. Mullen was about to sprint into the area when Vukcevic rugby-tackled him around the waist. In another country, Vukcevic might have been sent off. In Australia, at Melbourne's Olympic Park, he only was booked. Lucky Vukcevic.

Adrian Santrac, Juve's free-kick specialist, then powered the ball just wide of the far post.

McNally almost made a blunder that cost Juventus dearly in the 25th minute. Spink chipped the ball over the defence, making it a 50-50 race between McNally and Lujic. McNally didn't attack the ball with any confidence and Lujic jumped up, half in challenge, half in a protective gesture, for he turned his back on the keeper. The ball hit Lujic's back and bounced past McNally but before Lujic could turn it in to goal from an acute angle, Buggy Nyskohus slid down to clear.

Curovic sent Tapai down the left in the 36th minute. Tapai

dummied to cut inside then kept going down the line. His cross begged for a team mate to attack the ball but Aurelio Vidmar charged in and headed clear.

Vidmar had a fine game. He was the pick of the Juventus midfielders. He scored the equaliser for Juventus and won the ball in a tackle on Tapai shortly after, that led to a Mullen goal which had Juve fans jumping the fence and running onto the ground. Until they realised that the linesman had flagged for offside.

But back to the first half. Within a minute of Vidmar's headed clearance, Tapai sent a first time dipping volley just over the bar.

JUST was looking good now. Seconds later a long throw-in from the left was headed on by Stosic and Spink, charging in, dived down but couldn't get enough power on his low header. The ball ran wide.

Three minutes into the second half, chants of "Plavi! Plavi!" echoed around the stadium.

Tapai sent his corner to the near post where Stosic won the ball, turned and chipped it to the far post. Vukcevic took too long to steady himself and had his shot charged down, the ball going out for another corner. When it came over, Juventus didn't clear effectively. Stosic again got possession and laid the ball into the path of Curovic who was all of 25 metres out from goal. Curovic let fly with a sizzling first time shot and the ball flashed past McNally and into goal.

JUST was well in command now.

In the 56th minute, Belic got down the right and cut the ball hard and low across the goalmouth. Lujic stepped over it, knowing that Spink was racing in at the far post. Shillabeer read the situation well and before Spink could hit it first time, the Juventus right back smacked it clear.

In the 62nd minute, Villani swung over his corner to the far post. Neville Flounders, unchallenged, rose well and headed firmly but Zoran Nikitovic got down to clutch the ball cleanly.

Four minutes later, JUST almost went further ahead. Tapai's corner picked out the unmarked Vukcevic who headed onto the bar.

In the 70th minute, Shilla-

beer took a free kick just inside Juventus's attacking half. He sent the ball long and Nikitovic completely misjudged it. He ran himself too far under the ball and only could get his fingertips to it. But Vukcevic had dropped in behind Nikitovic and slammed the ball away.

JUST wasn't so lucky four minutes later.

Villani skipped past the sliding Vukcevic wide on the right and cut the ball back. Vidmar steadied then drilled a first time volley low into the far corner for a splendid goal.

In the 78th minute, Vidmar robbed Tapai and played the ball down the left to Maxwell, who now was starting to escape Barjaktarevic's grasp. Maxwell curled the ball in behind the square JUST defence to the incoming Mullen at the far post and Mullen blasted it in before taking off on a celebratory run that ended when he realised that referee Power was consulting his linesman. Mullen was adjudged to have been offside.

A minute later, with the JUST defence in tatters, Villani's shot struck Vukcevic. The ball was deflected to the unmarked Maxwell who slotted it expertly past Nikitovic and into the far corner.

JUST might have been down and out but Tapai never knows when to quit. What incredible stamina he has.

In the 89th minute, Tapai made a marvellous break through the middle of the park. He ran at least 40 metres before releasing the ball to Lujic wide on the left. Tapai kept running but couldn't reach Lujic's intended shot which went wide of the far post.

The atmosphere in the press-box was thick with parochialism when referee Power whistled for the last time.

Down on the pitch it was pandemonium as Juventus players, officials and fans danced and hugged each other, savoring every moment of the club's first ever NSL championship.

Hang on a minute, how many champion teams do we have here?

Sydney Croatia was the champion of the Northern Division, but didn't Sydney Olympic win a championship too on Sunday when it beat St George in the Grand Final? And Brunswick Juventus was the Southern Division champion and Adelaide Juventus was the Southern Division champion and we'll soon have a national champion which won't be Sydney Croatia or Brunswick Juventus even though they are champions.

I'd love to know what's going on.



● JUST's dynamic midfielder Ernie Tapai (right) is shoved off the ball by Adelaide City Juventus counterpart Serge Melta in the Southern Division Grand Final at Olympic Park on Sunday. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

## Markovski wins Weinstein

John Markovski of George Cross is the winner of the 1986 Weinstein Medal, awarded to the best under-16 player in Victoria.

Markovski has established himself in the George Cross side this season and also has made his youth Socceroo debut.

He has represented Victoria at under-13, 14, 15, 16 and youth levels and his team mate at George Cross, John Campbell, also is a Weinstein Medal winner.

The medal first was introduced in 1975. The winners have been:

Reno Lia of Hellas (1975), Colin Allison of Melbourne (1976), Alex Rivero of Box Hill (1977), Roberto Trafficante of Essendon Triestina (1978), Greg McLeod of Box Hill (1979), Dane Beranic of Green Gully (1980), John Campbell of Sunshine (1981), Warren Spink of Doveton (1982), Con Klakos of South Oakleigh (1983), David Healy of Knox (1984) and Paul Trim-boli of Brighton (1985).

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## Ernie Tapai should have been sent off!

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

ed, for he booked Tapai.

Whether Tapai's punch landed or not is irrelevant. The fact that a punch was thrown is enough to earn a sending off.

Juventus completely dominated the first half of the match, so much so that JUST had one shot on target, a fairly timid volley from Vlatko Belic which goalie Yakka Banovic had no trouble in dealing with.

Without midfielders Mike Petersen, John Dowie and Rob Cullen and striker Scott Patterson, it was expected that Juventus would struggle to hold JUST, especially in midfield. Not so. Juventus pressured superbly in this area and Vlado Stosic hardly had a kick. Stosic eventually was replaced by Nick Burlak in the 82nd minute.

JUST coach Dragoslav Sekularac had made an earlier substitution, one that staggered me. In the 53rd minute he took off his best midfielder, Belic, and put on Suleiman Curovic but I suppose the JUST camp will claim that it was a good substitution because Curovic had a hand in the winning goal. It was, in fact, a bad piece of goalkeeping by the usually reliable Banovic but more about that later.

In the 12th minute, Zoran Nikitovic punched a Paul Wade cross clear. Vesnaver charged in and from the edge of the area unleashed a wicked drive that Nikitovic palmed over. From the ensuing corner, taken by Fab Incantalupo, Andrew Zinni headed just wide.

Zinni virtually was on his own up front. In essence, Juventus played with five men across the middle of the park. JUST compensated by using

Tom Karic on Zinni with Vojislav Vukcevic sweeping up and pushing Rade Barjaktarevic and Ljube Petrovski forward out wide. JUST then, virtually used a 2-6-2 formation, a new one on me.

As expected, Warren Spink was up front in place of out-of-form Ossie Latif. What wasn't expected was that Latif wasn't even on the bench. The story doing the rounds in the press box was that Latif hadn't taken kindly to being substituted against George Cross in the previous finals game.

In the 25th minute, Mehmet Durakovic, playing in midfield, was desperately unlucky not to open the scoring. He struck his drive well from just outside the area. The ball was deflected by a defender and thudded against the near post.

Seconds after Belic had JUST's first strike at goal, Incantalupo sent Zinni zooming down the left. Zinni cut inside only to have his shot blocked for a corner.

JUST wasn't playing well but after half time, Tapai started to get more of the ball. Four minutes after Palatsides was sent off for a tackle on Petrovski (Palatsides had been booked in the first half), Juventus, down to 10 men, hit the lead.

Petrovski played a major part in the goal. Rather than let the ball go out for a throw-in to Juventus near the half-way line he ran it down and knocked it back into play. His momentum carried him over the sideline and he couldn't recover in time to stop big Peter Lewis getting the ball and charging down the right flank. Lewis drove his cross

over and although Nikitovic got a hand to Wade's low header, he couldn't stop the ball going in at the far post.

It was a just reward for the team that had dominated the game.

Two minutes later, Wade should have put Juventus into the Grand Final. JUST only cleared a Juventus corner to Brian Brown who headed the ball back into the goalmouth. Wade hit it on the turn but Nikitovic made a point blank smother that kept JUST in the game.

Vukcevic had gone up front immediately after Juventus had taken the lead and in the 89th minute, scored the goal that took the game into extra time. Zdravko Lujic cut the ball back from the right of the area. It eluded four or five players but not Vukcevic who hit it home first time at the far post.

It was a stunning blow to the 10 men of Juventus who had done enough to win a Grand Final berth. More was to follow.

Eight minutes into the first half of extra time, Lujic scored the winner.

Curovic hit a firm drive from outside the area. Banovic got down to the ball well, only to let it escape his grasp. In came Lujic to strike it into goal and complete JUST's remarkable victory.

Even then, Juventus didn't lie down and accept defeat. Sweeper John Yzendoorn had gone up front now and continued to play well. In the 115th minute, Wade sent Durakovic through but Nikitovic charged out of goal and smothered Durakovic's drive. A minute later, Yzendoorn crossed from the right and Durakovic headed just wide of the near post.

Man of the match:  
**ZORAN NIKITOVIC**  
(JUST)

**FOOTSCRAY JUST 2 (Vukcevic 89th, Lujic 98th) BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 1 (Wade 75th)** after extra time. Southern Division preliminary final at Olympic Park No. 1, Wednesday night. Crowd: about 4,000. Cautions: Petrovski, Bozinovski, Karic, Tapai, Curovic (FJ); Palatsides, Vesnaver, Brown, Yzendoorn (BJ). Sent off: Palatsides (BJ) 71st. Referee: Richard Lorenc 2.

**FOOTSCRAY JUST:** Nikitovic 9 — Vukcevic 8 — Karic 7 — Barjaktarevic 5, Stosic 4 (Burlak 82nd), Tapai, Belic 8 (Curovic 53rd, 5), Bozinovski 7, Petrovski 4 — Spink 5, Lujic 7. Coach: Dragoslav Sekularac.

**BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS:** Banovic 6 — Lewis 8, Brown 7, Yzendoorn 8, E. Campbell 8 — Palatsides 6 (sent off 71st), Vesnaver 8, Durakovic 8, Wade 7, Incantalupo 5 — Zinni 7. Coach: Len McKendry.

Brunswick Juventus was magnificent in defeat and had every reason to be angry with referee Richard Lorenc who sent off midfielder Joe Palatsides in the 71st minute but failed to send off JUST counterpart Ernie Tapai early in the second half.

I have no doubts that Tapai should have been sent off. He swung a punch at David Vesnaver who had pulled Tapai's shirt. Referee Lorenc had spotted Vesnaver's infringement and, one suspects, must have spotted the way Tapai retaliated.





● Victoria's under 13's second at the national titles, back row: Christov La Casa, David Morgan, Rocco Caputo, Joe Bacak, Matthew Bouw, Joe Spiteri. Middle: N. Wood (manager), Elvis Dimitrievski, William Hastie, Marco Sorrentino, Tony Neceski, T. Newbiggin (coach). Front: Michael Angelovski, Tai Tran, Robert Pucovski, Frank Juric, Lori Ristevski, Vincent de la Plaza.



● Victoria's under 14s, national champions, back row: Gino Didenedetto, Louis Bekiaris, Sonny Sevin (captain), Spiros Kollevris, Englebert Schmid, Ollie Pondeljak. Middle: D. Trimboli (manager), Vitale Ferrante, Romeo Dimartino, Kris Trajanovski, Gavin Sambell, B. Shaw (coach). Front: Christian Ooykaas, Daniel McMinimee, Angelos Karageorgiou, Frank Talia (vice-captain), Dino Mihocic, Jason Koliba.

Tennis, dogs,  
stock cars,  
then soccer

Mention the word Wimbledon, and most sports fans think of championship tennis, strawberries and cream and 16 well-cropped grass courts.

But down at Plough Lane in the heart of the same, sleepy suburb of West London, the local soccer team is playing in the English First Division alongside European giants like Liverpool and Everton.

Not bad for a side that only turned professional nine years ago and began in the Fourth Division.

Manager Dave Bassett, who has masterminded Wimbledon's remarkable rise from obscurity to a place in one of Europe's toughest leagues, takes it all jokingly in his stride.

"Wimbledon has tennis, a greyhound track and stock car racing — and we come fourth," he quipped.

Renowned for his chirpy, Cockney humor and infectious confidence, Bassett has been at Wimbledon for 12 years, first as a player in the club's semi-professional days, then as a professional, assistant manager and for the last five years, manager.

"A lot of the players have been at the club for six or seven years so we've kind of grown up together," Bassett said.

Critics of Wimbledon denounce the club's unadventurous style of play, saying its long ball game stifles creative soccer.

Others, such as English Football Association secretary Ted Croker, question the team's right to be playing among the elite clubs of the English league.

Croker provoked controversy recently when he said that facilities at Plough Lane, where season-ticket holders number just 800 and attendances rarely rise above 5,000, were inadequate to stage First Division matches.

But Bassett lets his team do the talking.

"We play the way that suits Wimbledon. It may not be pretty but that doesn't worry me," he said. "Of course we would like more supporters through the turnstiles but we are only nine years old and have no tradition — yet."

Wimbledon's most expensive player is John Fashanu, a big, old-fashioned type of centre-forward, who cost \$304,125.

The Laverton council has advised the Victorian Soccer Federation that it supports the concept of establishing a soccer academy on the Laverton North Reserve.

The concept is the most progressive move made by the VSF in recent times, but the Laverton council's approval is subject to a feasibility study being undertaken and about to be presented to the council's committee of management.

The council received a letter from the VSF earlier this year enquiring about leasing 10 acres of land for a soccer complex following discussions between the deputy Shire Engineer and the federation.

The proposal is to establish a high standard soccer complex containing four pitches, one of which will be floodlit.

In addition, there will be fully serviced dressing rooms and toilets as well as lounge and clubroom facilities.

The concept contains a proposal for the ultimate development of motel-style accommodation for interstate, country and international teams.

A further aim is to establish a Laverton soccer club comprising junior teams in the non-competitive age groups of 7 to 10 years.

The complex will be administered by the VSF's Junior Leagues Management Committee.

The Shire Engineer's report said that the council should encourage the development of the complex by allowing a low, nominal rental, provided that the complex is started within a specific period of time.

# SOCCER ACADEMY FOR VICTORIA?



● Mark Talajic (fifth from left), with the six other Victorians who were in the Australian squad which played in the World Cup Finals in China last year. The players are: Robert Runje, Paul Trimboli, Anthony Grbac, Colin Cooper, Talajic, Stan Thodis and George Jolevski. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

## Talajic better than Markovski?

"Don't write anything about me. What's the point? Look, maybe it's better if you just forget about the whole thing."

By now Mark Talajic virtually was pleading with me not to write a feature on him and I hardly could believe my ears.

The Melbourne Croatia teenager had bumped into me outside one of the dressing rooms at Olympic Park No. 1 and I had told him that the phone interview we had held a few days earlier hadn't gone well.

Talajic is shy. He's not used to being chased by journalists in search of a story about a lad of whom former coach Miron Bleiberg says:

"Forget about Markovski (the George Cross sensation). Sure, Markovski is good, very good, but I bet you that Talajic will have a far more successful career."

That's a big statement. Reminding Bleiberg about Markovski's stunning left peg and his amazing shooting ability does little to change his opinion.

"Talajic is a very, very clever boy who understands the game more than most 17-year-olds I've

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

known. Believe me, you only see Talajic playing full back now in a team that hasn't had a very good season, but watch him in a year or two, then tell me that he won't be a great player."

Talajic was born here of Croatian parents and started playing with Melbourne Croatia when he was eight. He first played in Croatia's youth team when he was 15 because the side was short of players.

Bleiberg, who coached Croatia earlier this year before taking over the reins at Victorian State League club Polonia, was the man who brought Talajic into Croatia's first team squad but it was Bleiberg's replacement, Terry Hennessey, who switched the midfielder to fullback after Tony Curcio broke his leg in an NSL match in Adelaide.

"The NSL is tough, very tough, but I think that I can handle the rough stuff okay," said Talajic.

I'll say he can.

When Croatia drew 3-3 with Makedonia in a thriller at Olympic Park a couple of months ago, Talajic felled Graham Heys with a crude tackle. Makedonia striker Gary Cole charged up to Talajic and struck

him but Talajic stood firm and went on to have a fine game.

But I don't want to paint a picture of a budding hard man. That would be unfair to Talajic, who has superb skills. I well remember a couple of curling, 30-metre passes played up the line to a teammate in Croatia's 0-1 loss to George Cross at Chapin Reserve. Those of us in the press box were taken aback by the accuracy and technical efficiency of those Talajic passes, never for a moment expecting a teenager to strike such balls so superbly.

Talajic was one of seven Victorians who went to China last year in the Australian under-16 team competing in the World Cup finals. He played in left midfield against West Germany in a match the young Roos won 1-0 and came on as a substitute in Australia's loss on penalties to Guinea.

"It was great going over there and playing for Australia against some of the big name countries of world soccer but there's no way I'd live there. There's not much food and there's no entertainment," said Talajic.

Talajic will stay with Croatia as it attempts to consolidate its status in next year's 14-team NSL. It will be his 11th season with the club!

## Hat-trick heroes

This week's hat-trick heroes:

Damien Delvecchio (Frankston Pines); Scott Phillips, Jeff Newman, David Cibura (Skye Rovers); George Stanisic (Springvale United); Andrew Belia, 12, four goals (Brunswick Juventus); Vince Grella, five goals, John Maisano, David Pincheira, Paul Di Fiore, four goals, Stuart Borgonha, Chase Burnhall, Jean-Paul Cardone, four goals, John Contreras, John Dell'Aquila, five

goals, Justin Meades, Robert Allan, Anthony Borgonha, Robbie Cep (Springvale City); Arco Cantone, 16, four goals (Ringwood Wilhelmina); Rick Sheiling, Tom Coz, Scott Bell, Sean Keher, James Kleevelaan, Danny Boyle, Stephen Carr, Alan Barrett, Ben Kleevelaan, Robert King, Paul Burne (Berwick City); Brett Penman, Robert Zeegers, Peter Harrop, Taffy Roberts, Alec Blackie (Monbulk); Peter Tiktikakis, 13, (Yarraville); Kerry Bright, 11, seven goals, S. Devereaux, 12, Gary de Bank, 12, Colin Geoghegan, 12 (Boronia Heights Primary School); Gianni Lombardi, 9, Pino Sette, 9 (Croydon City); Celeb Strong, Craig Cushman, Kyriakos Rappos, four goals (Eltham North); Karl Cetinic, 10 (Sandringham City); Damien Vojtek, 11, seven goals, Danny Dragovic, 10, eight goals, Michael Curcija, 9, Anthony Bradford, 12, five goals, Steven Barylka, 14, Anthony Deluca, 7, Frank Turudic, 9, Nick Glaros, 14, Paul Brincat, 13, Luke Kazlauskas, 9 (Rosanna); John Tsoumerakas, Michael Brmalj, Leigh Tsoumerkas (Forest Hill); F. Lariccia, 11, four goals, A. Boschini, 10 (East Bentleigh); Michael Tricarico, 11, Leigh Schallhammer, 8, Craig Wallace, 4 (Sunshine Park).

## Taylor and Scoles available

Tommy Taylor, the ex-West Ham and Leyton Orient player, has been coach in New Zealand is looking for a coaching position in Australia.

Taylor can be contacted at 31 Fox Street, Hamilton, New Zealand.

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# It's Goofy awards time again!

Gather round children, it's the end of the year and time for your Uncle Peter to hand out with reckless abandon his annual collection of priceless Goofy awards once again.

As in previous years, 1986 has seen many stupendous, incredible, even outstanding "performances" worthy of receiving one of the coveted Goofies, but it took many long hours and sleepless nights before the huge field of worthy candidates was narrowed down to this elite bunch of winners.

So, let's start at the beginning:

**The Invisible Man Goofy:** Marshall Soper of Sydney Olympic, for his outstanding efforts in driving his club crazy by simply not being at the appointed place at the appointed time, now and again. His efforts were an outstanding contribution to keeping his club's committeemen on their toes.

**Fountain Of Youth Goofy:** To Hakoah's Joe Watson, who at the age of 35 — or is it 34, or 36? — just keeps on going. He will be back again in 1987, so drink another mouthful from the cup Joe.

**Mastermind Goofy:** Manfred Schaefer, who is the only coach of a Greek club in Australia in living memory, who knew when to say enough is enough and announce his retirement from the post before the pack was yapping at his heels.

**Magical Mystery Goofy:** A double for Schaefer, who may just yet be convinced that Olympic is the place for him



Peter Scott

(watch his team's results in the finals for clues).

**Crystal Ball Goofy:** A bit of self-indulgence here in awarding this valuable trophy to myself and those of my fellow scribes who fearlessly predicted two years ago that the expanded, two-division, grab-bag, no-holds-barred, all-inclusive, giant-economy-size NSL will be an abject failure and water down the already very "liquid" quality of the competition.

**Blind Freddy Goofy:** To the ASF and NSL hierarchy for being the only ones — apart from Freddy, of course — not to see that our predictions were legitimate concerns, not just carping criticism.

**Cloud Cuckooland Goofy:** to miscellaneous ASF and NSL functionaries who continue in the total conviction that they are doing members of the media a favour by occasionally co-operating with them.

**Zombie Goofy:** St George Budapest, the team which everyone thought was stone-cold just a couple of months ago, only to find it very much alive and kicking at the season's end.

**The 007 Memorial Goofy:** An easy win for the NSL which will announce at the end of the month that West End Breweries are the league's new sponsors — about two months after

anyone and everyone who was the slightest bit interested and wanted to know knew their identity.

**Thank God For Small Mercies Goofy:** Undoubtedly belongs to Adelaide Juventus for making sure that there is a South Australian club in a competition funded by a South Australian company in 1987.

**The John Paul Getty Goofy For Financial Acumen:** To the NSL member clubs which keep spending money they don't have, on a competition which many don't want, trying to attract people who don't seem interested.

**Bottomless Pit Goofy:** Sydney Croatia was the only nominee for an award which commemorates its spending more money than just about any two or three other clubs put together in trying to buy its way to the top of the soccer heap — and failing. Watch out for the next instalment in the off-season.

**Kiss Of Life Goofy:** Dragoslav Sekularac, whose coaching has turned Footscray JUST from last year's wooden-spoon toad, into 1986's Prince Charming, proving that in the final reckoning it is talent that matters.

**Golden Suitcase Goofy:** Sydney Hakoah, for never — well, hardly ever — being at home

for an NSL Cup match, thanks to the inscrutable powers-that-be, who make up the draw.

**Club Med Goofy:** To the ever-increasing number of lawyers of Mediterranean extraction who seem to populate the upper echelons of soccer administration in this country.

**Thanks For Nothing Goofy:** To the board of directors of Sydney's Hakoah club, who seem to manage to ensure that their team does not gain any meaningful sponsorship by subtly bringing into question its very existence around this time each year.

**Cranky Starlet Goofy:** Craig Moffitt of St George Budapest who enjoyed ever so much the suckering of an opponent and getting him sent off — Steve O'Connor of Hakoah — that he repeated the dose by getting himself dismissed in the semi-final against Croatia.

**The Pulitzer Goofy:** To "Soccer Action's" long-standing editor Laurie Schwab, now retired from the fray, who had the vision to provide an opportunity to a bunch of radical ratbags like myself to voice our opinions over the past decade on a game we passionately love.

## What's in a name?

I have a serious suggestion. Keep the National League, but drop the word "national" from its title.

The simmering debate about next year's one-division league keeps bubbling on — even if its timing is more than a bit weird. After all, the plan, the formula and the criteria guidelines were intact and fully public many months ago.

Even my respected colleagues in journalism ought to know better than to raise now a subject they should have raised back in March or April.

What triggered the new debate, though, has been the conclusion to this year's race of survival. Specifically that the "national" league will be a triumvirate of Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide.

"How indeed," ask the pilgrims of logic, "can it be called a national league if only three States are involved in it? How indeed without Queensland, the ACT and Northern NSW?"

Of course, nobody mentions Western Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory. That's because those three areas never have been in the National League and to mention them would beckon an admission that, by definition, the National League never has been a national league.

So the problem is the word "national".

What, I wonder, would be the argument if it wasn't called the national league? If it was called the Australian League, or the Australian First Division, or just the First Division?

I mean I don't really see the logic. When Ipswich gets relegated from the English First Division are there howls of objections that such a fair city is not part of England's national league?

When Cagliari goes down to the Italian Second Division does the whole of Sardinia rise in protest? Do Sicilians pledge vendettas in blood when Catania or Palermo suffer the drop?

There is a strange Australian stigma that in Australia geographic areas have a divine right to partake in the top competition. The stigma, I suspect, is inherited from other football codes.

The VFL and the top divisions of rugby league and rugby union do not have promotion and relegation. Occasionally, changes are made through legislation and only after endless debate both behind and outside closed doors and even legal challenges.

Promotion and relegation simply avoids those debates and legal challenges. You don't after all, need a majority vote or a judge to decide who is the best or worst team in the league. Match results, cruel but inescapably arbitrary, decide that for you.

By my definition, the National League still is a national league and would remain so even if, heaven forbid, by years of promotion and relegation all 14 teams were from Sydney.

It is national because it is nationally open. Any club, any team can be in it if it's good enough.

And that openness is unique to soccer, like night football was at its beginning as was Sunday football and as were pre-season competitions.



LES MURRAY

Far from being wrong, I believe it is a pioneering concept which the other codes will one day surely follow.

The VFL, for example, is bringing in a team each from Perth and Brisbane to boost its pretensions of being a national competition.

Fine, but what will happen in a year hence when some smart soul with a sense of fair play will notice that only three teams — Sydney, Brisbane and Perth — are not from Victoria?

Should the sport explode in popularity in Brisbane, should the Sydney Swans become one of the powers of Aussie Rules, and should the Perth team show that it is entirely competitive with the Victorians, I believe other likely entrants from those cities will spring forth and the pressure will be on for the VFL to introduce promotion and relegation.

It is sad indeed that next year's NSL will start without Canberra, Newcastle, Brisbane and Wollongong and I, too, am greatly saddened by it. But, having been around to have seen the crowds in Canberra, Newcastle and Brisbane in those early years of the NSL, I was saddened by them long before they got relegated.

Something went dreadfully wrong with those clubs and those areas years ago and I doubt very much that the NSL administration was to be blamed.

Though I maintain that a one-division format was wise and inevitable, I do and always did have my criticism of the criteria used. I still think, morally, the first 14 teams past the post should have been the ones to qualify and neither past performances nor crowd figures should have been considered.

Because of the criteria, Newcastle, which came sixth, dropped out and Melbourne Croatia, which came 10th qualified.

And the blow dealt to Newcastle was the cruellest of all. By a cruel and strange piece of legislation, the past record of Newcastle prior to its being taken over by Adamstown Rosebud was not taken into account. Had it been, Newcastle might well have been back among the elite in 1987.

Even for a supporter of the new, one-division format, that is a very difficult thing to swallow.



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# It's Sutherland's Grand Final!

**Man of the match:**  
**GREG LEROND**  
(Sutherland)

**SUTHERLAND 3** (Hughes 71st, 82nd, Sharp 57th) **MELITA EAGLES 1** (Farrugia 15th). Skypak State League First Grade Grand Final at St George Stadium, Monday.

**SUTHERLAND:** Burchmore 8 — Nelson 7, Terry 8, Burrows 8, Sellar 7 — Lerond 9, Meades 8, Harrington 8, Johnston 7 — Hughes 8, Sharp 7 (Hill 80th).  
**MELITA EAGLES:** Pupovac 8 — Williams 7, Wilson 7, McCoy 6, Tredinnick 6 (Meerbani 72nd) — Callanan 6, Farrugia 7, Farnsworth 6 — McFadden 5, Vial 6, Foxman 6.

A stunning second-half goal spree by Sutherland overwhelmed Melita Eagles in the First Grade Grand Final, much to the disappointment of the Melita fans who had watched their Second and Third Grade sides win their Grand Finals earlier in the afternoon and were hoping for a hat-trick.

## LEROND TEARS EAGLES APART

Indeed, these fans had every reason to be optimistic at the interval, for Melita led 1-0.

In the 15th minute, a well-worked corner by Melita on the right saw Wayne Farnsworth play the ball low to Paul McFadden who laid it off to Ray Farrugia. The former Maltese International was at least 25 metres from goal but he struck his drive so fiercely that Craig Burchmore hardly had time to move. There was a defender on the line and the ball skimmed the top of his head before flashing into the net.

In the 26th minute, Farnsworth made a superb run past three defenders and found Lenny Vial inside the Sutherland penalty area but Vial hesitated, allowing Peter Terry to recover and make a fine sliding tackle.

Shortly after, Sutherland almost equalised but Scott Hughes' lob cleared both the Melita goalie and the bar.

From the moment that Hughes broke clear in the 54th

minute and sent a dangerous angled ball across the face of the Melita goal, Sutherland stepped up the tempo and never looked back.

Three minutes later, Greg Lerond charges down the left wing. His low cross went to Hughes who laid the ball on for Daryl Sharp to knock it in from close range.

It was sustained pressure from Sutherland now and Melita was set to crack.

But Dragan Pupovac gave Melita some reason for hope with brilliant reflex saves to deny Steve Meades and Mark Harrington.

Paul McFadden, having a poor game, had a chance to put Melita back in front in the 68th minute after good work by Vial but McFadden sidefooted the ball wide and that was it for Melita.

In the 71st minute, Sutherland took the lead. Lerond again made a good break down the left. He crossed to the far post where Meades headed the ball back to



NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

In the 82nd minute, the final nail was driven into Melita's coffin.

Hughes was brought down and took the resultant penalty himself, converting with ease to round off a tremendous display by the Sutherland Sharks.

## Second Grade

**MELITA EAGLES 2** (Dalton 47th, Brunner 100th) **FRESHWATER 1** (Sandtner 44th) extra time. Skypak State League Second Grade Final at St. George Stadium, Monday.

**MELITA EAGLES:** Avellino 7 — Furness 7, Lomas 8, Smith 7 (Lerotic 74th), Cabassi 7 — Watkins 8, Solidakis 7, Daley (Baldochino 59th, 61) — Brunner 7, Dalton 7 (sent off 75th), McCannor 6.  
**FRESHWATER:** Bowman 7 — Ouyrier 6 (P. Smith 76th), F. Eurers 7 (Simpson 74th), Placer 8, Frined 5 (sent off 96th) — Sandtner 8, Garrett 7, G. Eurers 6 — Cleary 6, Nacinovic 6, Campano 5.

This low standard final was marred by a disappointing display of refereeing.

Warren Dalton of Melita and Greg Friend of Freshwater both were sent off when cautions would have sufficed. Dalton gave an opponent a

harmless push in the back and the ref pulled out the red card, much to the amazement of Dalton and all other observers. Friend too was harshly dealt with albeit that his tackle was a bit late.

Freshwater hit the front just before haltime when a low cross by John Garrett was sidefooted home from two metres out by Adrian Sandtner.

Two minutes into the second half, Melita hit back.

Dalton strolled past a defender then cleverly chipped the advancing goalkeeper.

In the 80th minute Dalton made a marvellous run past four opponents and set up Baldochino only to watch Baldochino blast the ball over when well placed.

So extra time it was, but just five minutes each way. And in the final minute of extra time, Freshwater failed to clear following a Melita throw-in from the left. Chris Brunner was Melita's hero as he pushed the ball over the line to nab the winner.

## Third Grade

**MELITA EAGLES 1** (Ortiz penalty 32nd) **SUTHERLAND 1** (Fielding penalty 25th) after extra time. Melita won 4-2 on penalties in the Skypak State League Third Grade Grand Final at St. George Stadium, Monday. Penalty scorers: Karahontzis, Ortiz, Garofiano, Athanaszi (ME); Fielding, Massarotti (S).

**MELITA EAGLES:** Behn 8 — Coiro 7, Allen 7, Karahontzis 8, Revelly 8, Pazos 7, Vella 6 (Agamemnon 50th, 7), Rago 7 — C. Brown 7 (Athanaszi 82nd), Ortiz 8, Garofiano 7.

**SUTHERLAND:** Simpson 8 — Fielding 8, Ensor 7, Ashton 7, Burnell 7 — Long 7 (Forrester 46th, 7), Giovenco 8, Hristodoulou 7, Leney 7, Fearson 7 (Massarotti 65th, 7) Mellier 9.

Melita missed about a dozen chances to score in normal time — hitting the woodwork on four occasions — but was able to subdue a gallant Sutherland after a penalty shootout.

Peter Karahontzis had a splendid game at the back for Melita and team mates Mark Revelly and Paul Rago also played well.

Sutherland was best served by forward Andrew Mellier.



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● Melita Eagles midfielder Ray Farrugia — his stunning 15th minute goal wasn't enough to keep the Sutherland Sharks at bay at St George on Monday.



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## Fraternity Club Under-21 Player of Year

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For those unfamiliar with the NSW soccer scene, the Fraternity Club sponsors two major teams on the South Coast — Wollongong City and Fairy Meadow.

A tall order indeed, particularly in lean times in the local soccer scene. As each club strives to succeed it becomes more and more important to land a major sponsor who can enable a club to sign better quality players and who can contribute to sound and stable club administration.

The Fraternity Club has been a major supporter of soccer for some time and will be a friend to this great game of ours for many years to come.

It is not by chance then that the inaugural 'Soccer Action' awards are being held at the Fraternity Club. Its two-storey building in Bourke Street offered facilities that could not be matched at any other venue.

For those who will attend our awards it will be more than just another night out. Apart from the superb cuisine on offer there will be a floor show, starting at 10.30 pm and if it's as good as the reputation the club enjoys then everyone is in for a great night.

The award to be sponsored this year by the Fraternity Club is as much an award for achievement as it is for encouragement. The Fraternity Club will sponsor the award for the best Under 21 player in State League for 1986. It carries a plaque and \$300.

At the last count, six players were in the running for this award, so to discover the winner, see us at the Fraternity Club this Saturday.

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At the start of the season he pledged his support for the NSW State League top scorer award to the tune of \$500 and he will be at the Fraternity Club this Saturday to see an ex-Vardar star, Zlatko Nastevski, receive the award. Nastevski scored 22 goals this season, a goal-a-game average.

"I love goals, and I wanted to see my money going to a man who puts them away," said Mr. Marjanovic, sponsor of the award.

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Most people involved in soccer would hate to be either a coach or a goalkeeper, roles that often involve the greatest demands in the game.

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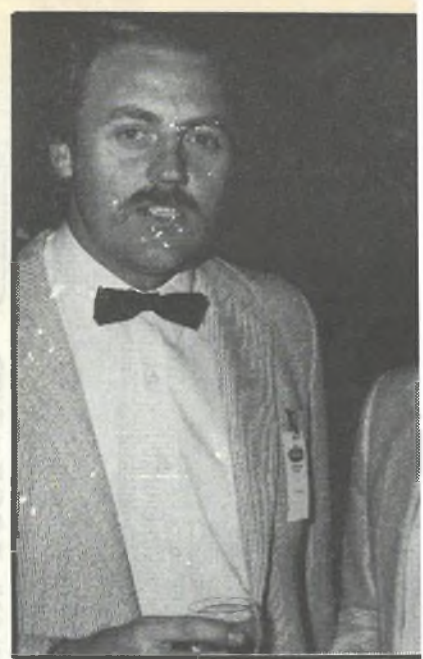
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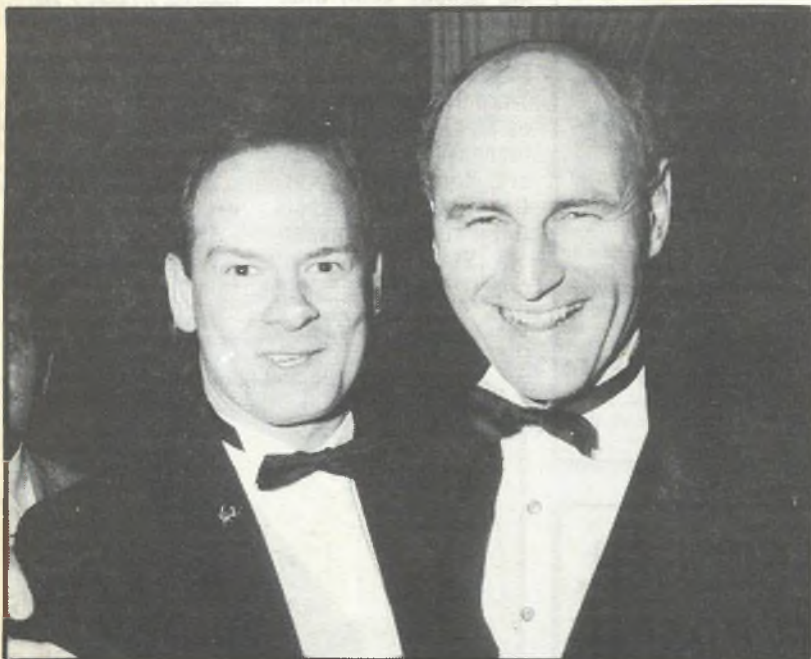
● Former Rothmans Medal winner Jim MacLean (left) and Caulfield midfielder Kenny Taylor, share a joke with Joe Docherty (right).



● Coaches corner, from left: P (George Cross coach) and E (Pictu



● Northcote coach Roy Maclaren (left) with Victorian Director of Coaching, State team coach and State youth coach Tim White.



● Fawkner midfielder Gordon Flavell (left) and Jim Tansey of Croydon.

# Dick: \$6000

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Almost a year after telling his coach to "stick it up his arse" and being suspended for four weeks for doing so, Alex Dick of Frankston Pines won the Victorian Rothmans Medal.

Dick's win, announced at a gala presentation night last Friday at Melbourne's Southern Cross Hotel, was a triumph for the working class people who support Pines and Dick made the most of the presentation of the medal by Opposition leader John Howard.

"Howard said to me that he likes being next to winners and I told him that he probably will never know what the feeling really is like," said Dick.

Traditionally, Rothmans Medal winners end up boozed out of their brains at a city disco in the early hours of the morning, but not Dick.

He ended up sozzled at the Pines clubrooms after Pines team manager Tommy Mitchell turned up at the Southern Cross to drive the club's first ever Rothmans Medal winner back to Monterey Boulevard.

"When the one and two votes came up on the board I'd only got five votes but Peter Thurlow (Dick's team mate) told me that I'd win it on the three votes," said Dick.

"To be honest, I expected to get a couple of votes but not 11 of them. That was pretty hard to believe but finally the many years that I've put into the game have paid off.

"I'm absolutely delighted. Not just for myself but for the Pines as a club because we're celebrating our 21st anniversary this year."

After shrugging off a hangover, Dick went to watch his pals at Langwarrin playing against Oakleigh in a Victorian League Cup quarter-final clash on Saturday.

That's Dick's style. No elaborate celebrations, no fanfare. He'd had a lot of slaps on the back on the Friday night from people he'd never seen before and he couldn't wait to get among people he knew, people whose congratulations were couched in sincerity.

Everyone's now wondering which National League club he'll join next year. So is Dick. He's off to his native Scotland in just over three weeks time with his wife Linda for a five-week holiday and although at least one NSL club has sounded him out he's keeping tight-lipped about it.

Green Gully and George Cross showed interest in signing him before the transfer deadline earlier this year. Pines told Gully that there was \$12,000 on Dick's head and weren't prepared to accept Gully's offer of \$2,000 over two games to see if Dick was the man it wanted and if he was then the rest of the money would follow.

Dick was approached by a State League coach on behalf of George Cross coach John Gardiner and there was talk of Dick trying out with the Cross for a week or two. Nothing came of it.

"I've asked the people at Pines not to be greedy when it comes to putting a price on my head. I'd consider about \$6,000 a reasonable price for a guy that cost Pines a \$1,000 transfer fee and who hasn't had a signing-on fee for the past two seasons," said Dick.

So would I, but reason and reality rarely go hand-in-hand in Australian soccer.

The last thing Dick wants is to have to take Pines to the appeals board but let's not pre-empt anything until we know more about Pines' asking price.

Dick, 26, was born in Pevril Terrace in Edinburgh. So was Preston Makedonia midfielder Ronnie Campbell who won the West Australian Rothmans Medal last year. Pevril Terrace is becoming famous.

Dick played for the Edinburgh schoolboys, captained by George Cross midfielder Don Maclaren. Dick's first game for the schoolboys up front was fairly successful.

"They put me up front to get me out of the way. I was playing in midfield at first but I wouldn't pass the ball to anyone. I just wanted to dribble all the time. In my first game up front we won 16-0 and I

## But Pines when Gu

scored 14 goals so I became an out-and-out

Hutchison Vale was Dick's first club. He and Maclaren was playing there too. Dick's father, a brewer, was promoted to a manager's job after Dick had spent four years with Hutchison.

"I joined St. Ninian's Boys' Club. God knows I like me got a game there. On Sundays I used to be called Caprice. Jim Maclean was in the team."

It was while playing with Caprice that Dick met Rob Roy, which signed him. He found himself alongside South Melbourne Hellas star Campbell.

So Campbell, Maclean, Egan and Dick all Scotland and all are Rothmans Medal winners. Dick won the Victorian Rothmans Medal in 1984 and Egan in 1985.

Dick spent two seasons with Rob Roy before working at shut down. That was the stimulus for they had been considering coming to Australia.

They arrived in Sydney in 1981 but Dick and a half.

"I never knew anyone in Sydney who was never bothered playing."

Dick's uncle and his brother-in-law started playing again. His uncle, after watching Johnny Warren on TV, phoned up Warren. Dick. That led to Warren arranging for Dick to play under Frank Arok.

"I trained with Frank Arok for about three months. Everything was going okay but my wife couldn't stand it so we ended up moving to Brisbane."

Dick joined Grange Thistle in the Queensland league six weeks.

"I couldn't stand the coach. he was a bit of a dick. I was in 1983 and we had a great season, the State League Cup."

Former Pines president John Hodgson was his son Douglas playing for Victoria's juniors onships in 1983. Douglas Hodgson was billeted on, a good friend of Dick's and it was at Campbell's house that Dick met John Hodgson. The Pines president phoned for him and his wife to come to Melbourne and Dick signed.

"Pines arranged to bring all my furniture and told me and Linda there would be a flat waiting for me. We drove down from Brisbane to Frankston and no job. I was furious. I'd quit a good job and things turned out here we eventually landed."

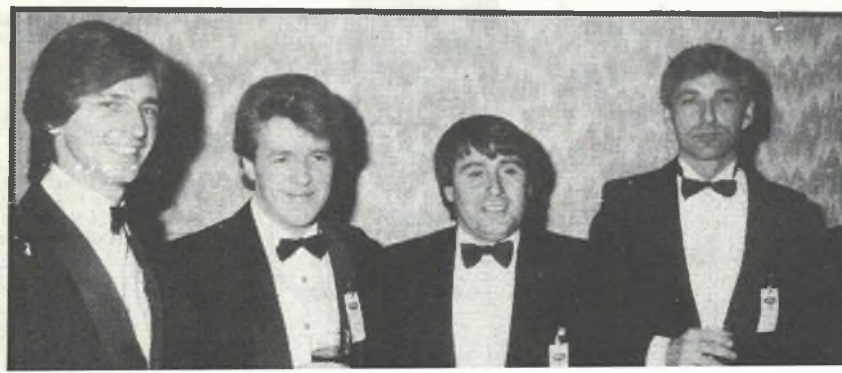
"We've got a nice wee unit in Frankston, I'm a man for Coca-Cola and Linda works for a pub."

Dick didn't make a great start to his first season. He was sent off twice in four weeks.

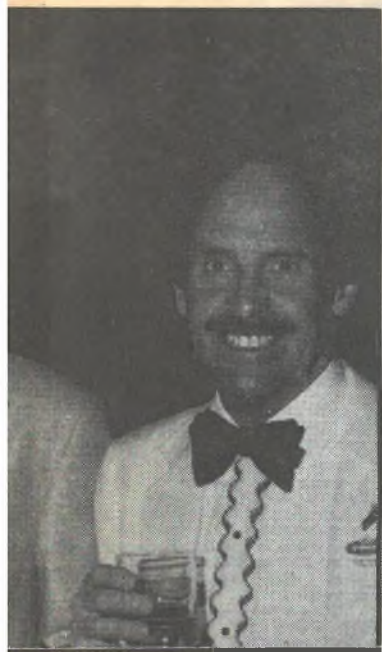
"I got sent off against Broadmeadows for shouting at the referee. I got sent off against Doveton for kicking the ball into the first half of that match, though."

Pines coach Danny McMinimee imposed a suspension on Dick for disciplinary reasons. When he came back he was sent off again. He wasn't playing hard settling in.

Dick was playing well early in the 1985 season.







oydon coach), John Gardiner (Springvale City coach).  
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● What's VSF executive director George Wallace (right) saying to ASF director Brian Emery? It could be: "Honest, Brian, I really don't want your job."

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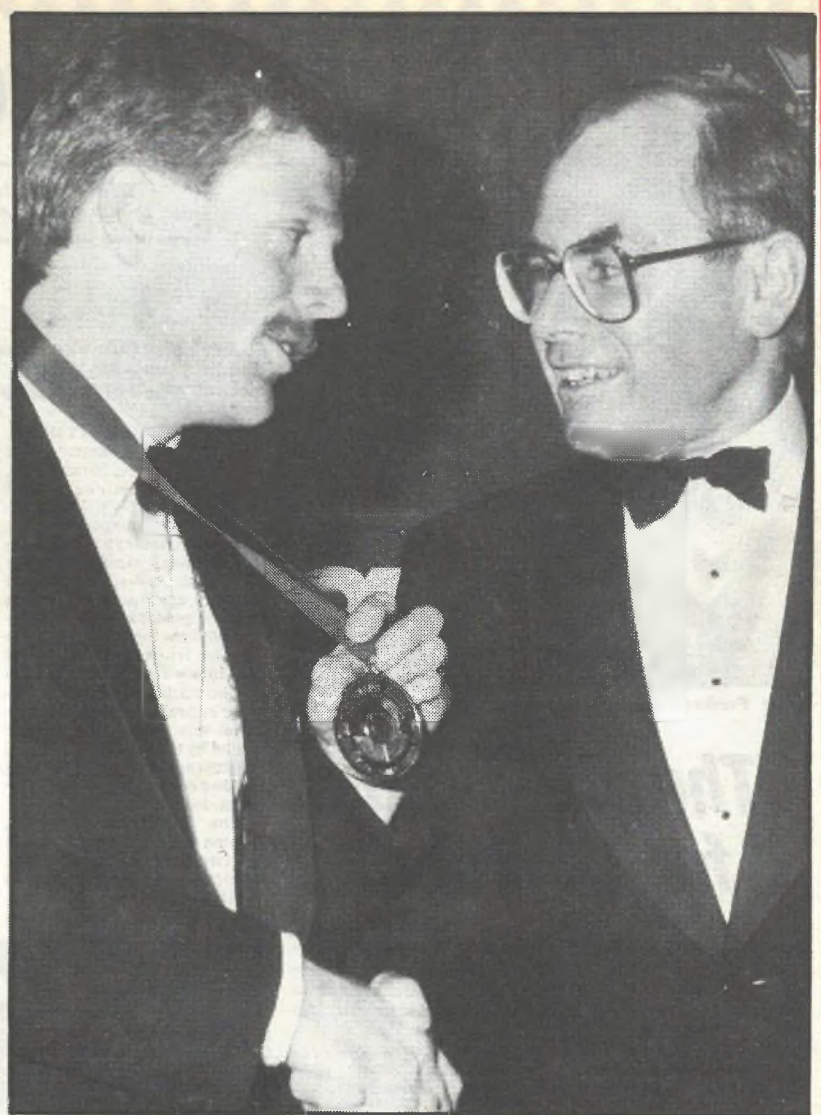
injury sidelined him for a while. When he came back, he missed an easy chance against Polonia and at training the next week, McMinimie told Dick that he was putting him on the bench for the next game.  
"We had a few words and I ended up telling Danny to stick it up his arse. He went to the committee which suspended me for four weeks and that virtually was the end of my season."

"I decided that I'd leave Pines but after doing well for Scotland in the local World Cup tournament at the end of last year, Danny decided to let bygones be bygones and to try and start from scratch. He told me that he wanted to keep me and I'm glad now that I stayed."

"I'd like to also mention Ernie Merrick, who joined the coaching staff at Pines this year. Ernie got me into the habit of taking guys on, of running at them and not being scared if it doesn't always work out. He'd seen that I'd been getting rid of the ball too quickly because I was scared of losing it and he gave me the confidence to do what I probably do best."

And what Dick does best takes some stopping, in the eyes of the referees at least. Dick polled 38 votes to win the Rothmans Medal by a 14-vote margin over Mark Bakker of Ringwood Wilhelmina.

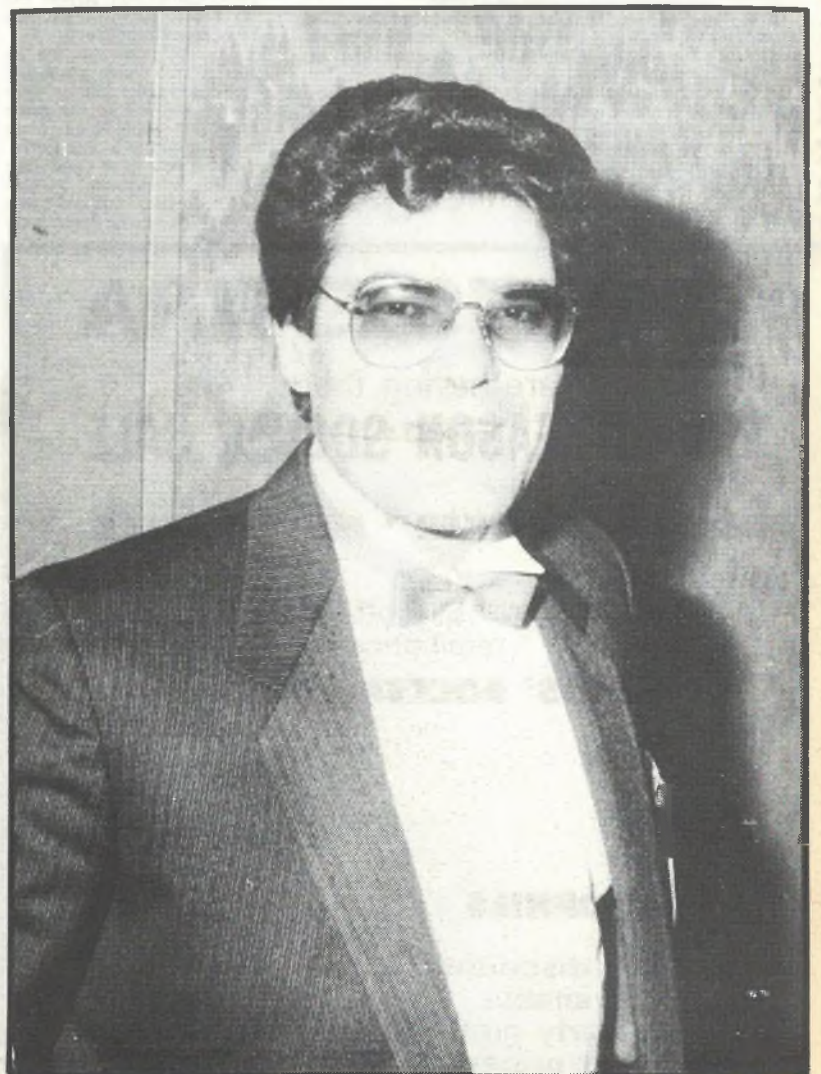
It was one of the most comprehensive victories since the introduction of the award in 1970 and Dick now takes his place alongside some of the finest players ever to play in Victoria.



● Federal Opposition leader John Howard congratulates 1986 Victorian Rothmans Medal winner Ally Dick.



● The long and the short of it at Morwell Falcons. Emil Brunns (left) and Tony van Barr (right) tower above little midfielder Effie Cassar.



● Caulfield city coach Takis Svingos

## ALL THE VOTES

Here are all the Rothmans Medal Votes. An asterisk denotes players who have been suspended and therefore were ineligible to win the award:

- 38 — A. Dick (Frankston Pines)
- 24 — M. Bakker (Ringwood City)
- 23 — E. Brunns (Morwell Falcons)
- 20 — E. Cassar (Morwell Falcons)
- 19 — R. Krajacic (St. Albans)
- 17 — K. Adams (Springvale City), B. Culina (St. Albans), A. Hughes (Box Hill), \*J. McLean (Croydon City)
- 16 — D. Morovic (St. Albans)
- 15 — C. Kasimis (Ringwood City), A. Livingston (Croydon City), B. Cozzella (Fawkner), L. Theodos (Melbourne)
- 14 — A. Humble (Croydon City), \*I. Storton (Morwell Falcons), \*D. Tuck (Western Suburbs)
- 13 — P. Czapnik (Polonia), P. Constantinou (Northcote City), \*R. McGuinness (Western Suburbs)
- 12 — P. Griffin (Box Hill), B. Burton (Box Hill), R. Pianalto (Thomastown), G. Bannon (Springvale City), \*J. Constantinou (Northcote City)
- 11 — D. Nixon (Fawkner), M. Wilson (St. Albans)
- 10 — \*D. Zemunik (Caulfield City), I. Tuffield (Fawkner), T. VanBaar (Morwell Falcons), \*R. Verniers (Ringwood City), E. Bell (Springvale City), B. Coyle (Thomastown), B. Hamill (Western Suburbs)
- 9 — D. Hennessy (Box Hill), L. McKinna (Box Hill), S. Beech (Croydon City), D. Boland (Frankston Pines), G. Tutill (Morwell Falcons), G. Hobson (Springvale City), J. Nelson (Springvale City), M. Rainey (Thomastown), M. Ciric (Western Suburbs), R. Nelson (Polonia)
- 8 — C. Alexandropoulos (Caulfield City), K. Taylor (Caulfield City), J. Tansey (Croydon City), D. Brogan (Croydon City), F. Sabbatino (Fawkner), M. Smolarek (Polonia), A. Patiniotis (Northcote City), K. Drakeford (Northcote City), P. Corke (Ringwood City), M. Raponi (Thomastown), L. McCluskey (Western Suburbs)
- 7 — D. Brooks (Caulfield City), G. French (Croydon City), P. Blasby (Croydon City), \*C. Fattore (Fawkner), S. Webster (Frankston Pines), \*F. McLeod (Frankston Pines), J. Bird (Melbourne), J. Wallace (Melbourne), G. Bozikas (Northcote City), M. Grgic (St. Albans), G. House (Springvale City), K. Carfora (Thomastown)
- 6 — D. Azzopardi (Box Hill), G. Gagio (Box Hill), A. Filipou (Caulfield City), M. Brown (Croydon City), P. Thurlow (Frankston Pines), L. Zielakowski (Polonia), M. Turudia (Northcote City), N.

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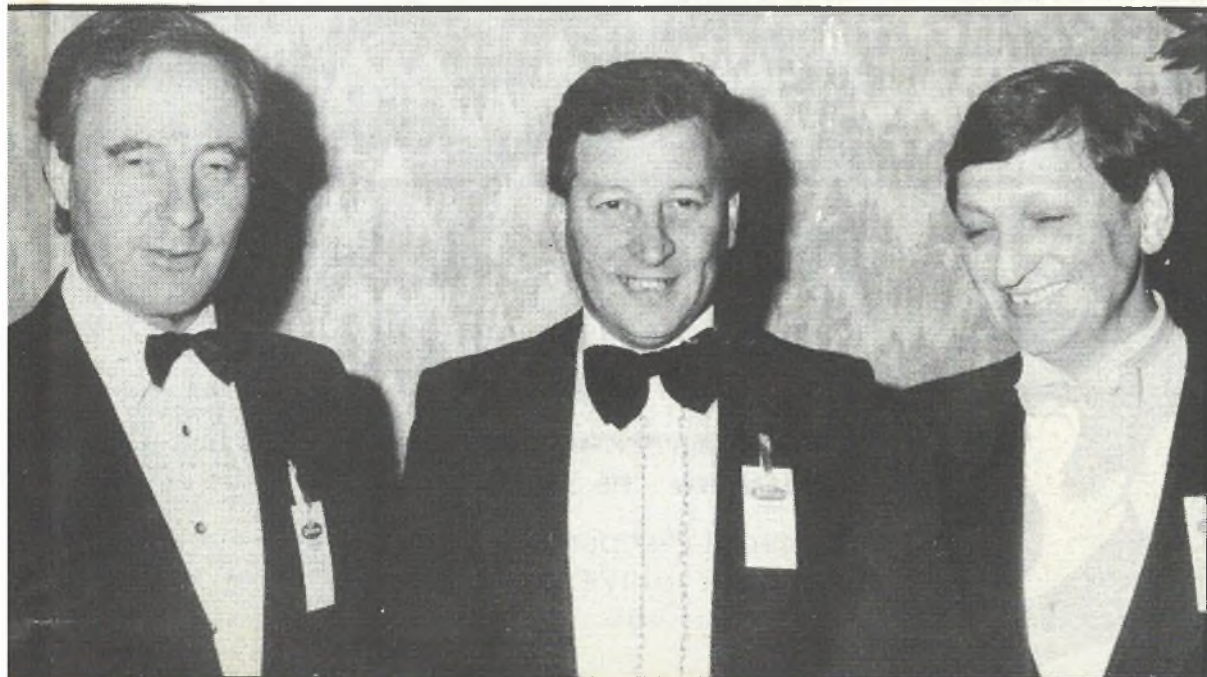
5 — P. Ttofari (Caulfield City), G. Jolevski (Fawkner), G. Bennett (Polonia), D. Mills (Melbourne), J. O'Callaghan (Morwell Falcons), R. Toal (Northcote City), G. Cutler (Northcote City), S. Thomson (Ringwood City), R. Athersych (Springvale City), C. Ilhan (Thomastown)

4 — A. Roodhouse (Box Hill), J. Sahinidis (Caulfield City), J. Bitsonis (Caulfield City), \*C. Quigley (Fawkner), G. Runje (Frankston Pines), J. Ross (Frankston Pines), C. Miller (Frankston Pines), P. Debono (Melbourne), \*P. Tzambazis (Melbourne), J. Kiss (Melbourne), K. Storm (Ringwood City), N. Dimartino (Thomastown), D. Smallman (Western Suburbs), \*G. Stenson (Western Suburbs)

3 — H. Hird (Box Hill), P. Ramos (Box Hill), I. Amanatidis (Caulfield City), P. Tsitiridis (Caulfield City), E. Angele (Fawkner), \*R. Flavell (Fawkner), P. Chiavelli (Fawkner), J. Kadlecik (Polonia), R. Lipiarski (Polonia), J. Wycislik (Polonia), A. Marshall (Polonia), M. Barbas (Melbourne), E. Eacott (Morwell Falcons), \*P. Bezzina (Morwell Falcons), J. Toro (Northcote City), J. Giannopoulos (Northcote City), J. Stiliadis (Northcote City), I. Duzel (St. Albans), S. Rastocic (St. Albans), \*G. McMillan (Thomastown), S. Hackett (Thomastown), F. Arcoraci (Thomastown), S. Kakantonis (Western Suburbs), \*D. McLeod (Western Suburbs)

2 — C. Taylor (Box Hill), C. Davidson (Box Hill), G. McPhee (Box Hill), A. Koutos (Caulfield City), E. Wondimu (Caulfield City), A. Theocharous (Caulfield City), R. Wilson (Fawkner), R. Walsh (Fawkner), A. Schipano (Fawkner), M. McGorian (Frankston Pines), J. Cullen (Frankston Pines), M. Calakoglu (Polonia), A. Kotzamichalis (Polonia), T. Heery (Melbourne), C. Edmonson (Melbourne), H. Bingham (Morwell Falcons), P. Petropoulos (Northcote City), T. Patsakos (Northcote City), G. Bates (Ringwood City), E. Kuzman (St. Albans), N. Garvey (Springvale City), M. Vogel (Springvale City), L. Trani (Western Suburbs), A. Esposito (Western Suburbs), B. Farmer (Western Suburbs)

1 — J. McKinlay (Box Hill), D. Cooper (Croydon City), J. Palinkas (Fawkner), \*J. D'Cecco (Fawkner), P. Hennessy (Frankston Pines), G. Watson (Frankston Pines), R. Armstrong (Frankston Pines), A. Dachs (Polonia), J. Przybyla (Polonia), \*G. Warszawski (Polonia), R. Reynolds (Melbourne), R. Morrey (Melbourne), M. Horvath (Melbourne), D. Wilson (Morwell Falcons), A. Cassar (Morwell Falcons), J. Small (Northcote City), R. Brian (Ringwood City), H. Meyer (Ringwood City), J. Nijholt (Ringwood City), K. Lloyd (St. Albans), D. Dezie (St. Albans), \*G. Beattie (Western Suburbs)



● Three of the men who voted for the Rothmans Medal, from left; referees Stuart Mellings, Chris Bambridge and Dennis Voutsinas.





● Preben Elkjaer-Larsen, praying for a Danish victory

## 'The Bull' roars for Denmark

For much of its first round, the Mexico Mundial could have been renamed the "Mundane-ial". Denmark provided most of the few moments which deserve recollection, with their striker Preben Elkjaer-Larsen making the early running for the Player of the Tournament award.

Despite limited previous international exposure, Larsen can hardly be called an overnight sensation. Born on September 11, 1957, he joined local club KB Copenhagen when six and played all his junior soccer there.

By the time he was 12, Larsen had set his sight upon becoming a full-time footballer. This was no easy task, as Denmark at the time had banned the professional game within its borders.

Fortunately for him, the Danish First Division had been recognised as a prolific nursery for young talent. Representatives of Europe's more affluent clubs attended virtually every game.

Thus, after a mere 11 matches for Vanlose, Larsen was signed by Cologne of the West German Bundesliga.

Under the guidance of world renowned coach Hennes Weisweiler, the young Dane was expected to make great progress. A first senior international cap when only 19 indicated he was on the right track.

However, Weisweiler's insistence upon grooming him gradually for stardom — given only an occasional first team outing — conflicted with Larsen's hunger for immediate recognition. This led to a rift between the two.

During Larsen's stay on the Rhine, Cologne won the Bundesliga title once and the West German Cup twice. He was awarded medals for these triumphs, but contributed little to them — making just nine league appearances in total.

In 1978, Larsen moved to little Lokeren in Belgium for a modest fee and, finding the atmosphere of a small provincial town much more to his liking than that of the big city, began to make waves like a big fish in a small pond.

As Lokeren established itself as a force in Belgian soccer and a respected opponent in European competitions (it was runner-up in both the domestic league and Cup during 1980-81 and captured some prized scalps in the UEFA Cup), the reputation of its pacy, muscular striker grew.

Larsen's surging runs and powerful finishing were a major feature of Denmark's prolonged 1984 European Championship campaign. His memories of this are soured by the missed penalty which enabled Spain to reach the final at the Danes' expense.

Yet, the overall impression created was such that he gained Denmark's Footballer of the Year award and third place in the European poll.

Verona also rated him highly — to the extent of playing Lokeren \$2,000,000 to secure his transfer.

In the Italian League, Larsen has added consistency to his virtues, hardly putting a foot wrong during the Veneto club's astonishing championship success of 1984-85.

On the international front, he grabbed eight of Denmark's 17 goals during the World Cup qualifying competition and his strike rate while wearing a Danish jersey stands at over three goals per five games.

Larsen, though, contributes far more than "mere" goalscoring, constantly running, making himself available for the ball in midfield, tackling efficiently and distributing intelligently. In the past, he has played in midfield and on the wing with great effectiveness.

Something of a loner off the field, Larsen is nicknamed "The Bull" not only because of his power but also a somewhat obstinate personality.

# Valdano, Sanchez and Butragueno crush Swiss

Overseas round-up  
By PAUL MOON



Real Madrid's all-star attack overwhelmed Switzerland's Young Boys Berne last week to sweep into the second round of the European Cup with a 5-1 aggregate triumph.

Argentine Jorge Valdano, Mexican Hugo Sanchez and Spaniard Emilio Butragueno, who scored twice, sealed Real's crushing win with goals in the last 18 minutes.

Earlier, veteran Spanish international striker Carlos Santillana had pulled Madrid level on aggregate with a 36th minute goal, but Berne's spirited defence refused to cave in and frustrated Real until Valdano's 72nd minute strike.

The six times winner of Europe's premier club tournament was joined in the second round by the usual gathering of aristocracy with only Honved Budapest falling by the wayside.

The Hungarian champion, beaten 4-1 by Breendbyernes of Denmark in the first leg, could only draw 2-2 at home as Italian champion Juventus, Portugal's Porto, Austria Vien-

na and Dynamo Berlin of East Germany strolled nonchalantly into the second round with resounding aggregate victories.

Holder Steava Bucharest of Romania already was assured of its place in the last 16 after receiving a first-round bye.

Juventus, which took a sevel-goal lead to Reykjavik, contented itself with a 4-0 win, Frenchman Michel Platini sharing the goals with Danish striker Michael Laudrup who had scored three in the first leg.

Port, having hammered in nine goals at home against Malta's Rabat Ajax three weeks ago, added just one last week for a 10-0 aggregate win, Antonia Sousa scoring after 70 minutes.

Austria Vienna moved through to the last 32 with a 3-0 win last week and a 6-0 aggre-

gate triumph over Luxembourg's Beggen and Dynamo Berlin beat Orgryte of Sweden 4-1 from a 7-3 aggregate win.

In the UEFA Cup, Diego Maradona's Napoli was knocked out on penalties after being beaten 1-0 in France by Toulouse. The result left the teams level at 1-1 on aggregate, but the Italians went out 4-3 in the penalty shoot-out.

Here are the results. Unfortunately, not all results were available:

### European Cup

Real Madrid (Spain) 5 Young Boys Berne (Switzerland) 0 (halftime 1-0). Real Madrid won 5-2 on aggregate. Dynamo Berlin (East Germany) 4 Orgryte Gothenburg (Sweden) 1 (2-1). Dynamo won 7-3 on aggregate. Rabat Ajax (Morocco) 0 Porto (Portugal) 1 (0-0). Porto won 10-0 on aggregate. Dynamo Tirana (Albania) 0 Besiktas Istanbul (Turkey) 1 (0-1). Besiktas won 3-0 on aggregate. Gornik Zabrze (Poland) 1 Anderlecht (Belgium) 1 (0-0). Anderlecht won 3-1 on aggregate.

Dynamo Kiev (Soviet Union) 2 Beroe Stara Zagora (Bulgaria) 0 (1-0). Dynamo won 3-1 on aggregate.

Valur (Iceland) 0 Juventus (Italy) 4 (0-3). Juventus won 11-0 on aggregate. HJK Helsinki (Finland) 3 Apollon Nicosia (Cyprus) 2 (2-1). Aggregate 3-3. Apollon Nicosia won on away-goals rule. Honved Budapest (Hungary) 2 Breendbyernes (Denmark) 2 (1-0). Breendbyernes won 6-3 on aggregate.

### Cup Winners' Cup

US Luxembourg (Luxembourg) 0 Olympiakos Piraeus (Greece) 3 (0-0). Olympiakos won 6-0 on aggregate. FC Bruges (Belgium) 3 Rapid Vienna (Austria) 3. Rapid Vienna won 7-6 on aggregate.

Real Zaragoza (Spain) 2 Roma (Italy) 0 after extra time (halftime 1-0, fulltime 2-0). Aggregate 2-2. Real Zaragoza won penalty shoot-out 4-3.

Dinamo Bucharest (Romania) 1 Nentori Tirana (Albania) 2 (0-1). Nentori won 3-1 on aggregate.

Lokomotiv Leipzig (East Germany) 2 Glentoran (Northern Ireland) 0 (1-0). Lokomotiv won 3-1 on aggregate.

Spartak Trnava (Czechoslovakia) 0 Stuttgart (West Germany) 0. Stuttgart won 1-0 on aggregate.

Torpedo Moscow (Soviet Union) 3 Valkeakoski Haka (Finland) 1 (2-0). Torpedo won 5-3 on aggregate.

Vitosha Sofia (Bulgaria) 2 1903 Copenhagen (Denmark) 0 (0-0). Vitosha won 2-1 on aggregate.

Velez Mostar (Yugoslavia) 3 Vasa Budapest (Hungary) 2 (0-0). Velez won 5-4 on aggregate.

Katowice (Poland) 1 Fram Reykjavik (Iceland) 0 (0-0). Katowice won 4-0 on aggregate.

### UEFA CUP

Galatasaray (Turkey) 2 Universitatea Craiova (Romania) 1 (0-1). Craiova won 3-2 on aggregate.

Stahl Brandenburg (East Germany) 1 Coleraine (Northern Ireland) 0 (1-0). Stahl won 2-1 on aggregate.

Trakia Plovdiv (Bulgaria) 8 Hibernians (Malta) 0 (40-). Trakia won 10-0 on aggregate.

Vitoria Guimaraes (Portugal) 2 Spartak Prague (Czechoslovakia) 1 (0-0). Guimaraes won 3-2 on aggregate.

Dukla Prague (Czechoslovakia) 1 Hearts (Scotland) 0 (0-0). Aggregate 3-3. Dukla won on away-goals rule.

Raba Eto Gyor (Hungary) 0 Dynamo Minsk 1 (0-1). Raba won 4-3 on aggregate.

Widzew (Poland) 1 Linz (Austria) 0 (0-0). Widzew won 2-1 on aggregate.

Partizan Belgrade (Yugoslavia) 1 Borussia Muenchengladbach (West Germany) 3 (0-1). Borussia won 4-2 on aggregate.

Ives Tampere (Finland) 2 Glasgow Rangers (Scotland) 0 (0-0). Rangers won 4-2 on aggregate.

Hajduk Split (Yugoslavia) 4 OFI Crete (Greece) 0 (1-0). Hajduk won 4-1 on aggregate.

Magdeburg (East Germany) 1 Athletic Bilbao (Spain) 0 (1-0). Athletic Bilbao won 2-1 on aggregate.

Werder Bremen (West Germany) 2 Atletico Madrid (Spain) 1 after extra time (halftime 0-0, fulltime 2-0). Atletico won 3-2 on aggregate.

Torino (Italy) 1 Nantes (France) 1 (0-0). Torino won 5-1 on aggregate.

Toulouse (France) 1 Naples (Italy) 0 after extra time (halftime 1-0, fulltime 1-0). Aggregate 1-1. Toulouse won penalty shoot-out 4-3.

Barcelona (Spain) 0 Flamurtari Vlori (Albania) 0. Aggregate 1-1. Barcelona won on away-goals rule.

Standard Liege (Belgium) 1 Rijeka (Yugoslavia) 1 (0-0). Standard Liege won 2-1 on aggregate.

Ghent (Belgium) 1 Jeunesse D'Esch (Luxembourg) 1 (0-1). Ghent won 3-2 on aggregate.

Sporting Lisbon (Portugal) 6 Akranes (Iceland) 0 (3-0). Sporting won 15-0 on aggregate.

AEK Athens (Greece) 0 Inter Milan (Italy) 1 (0-1). Inter Milan won 3-0 on aggregate.

## Woman killed as Chinese riot

Chinese magazine 'Cheng Ming' reported last week that there was a major riot in the West China provincial capital of Xian over two months ago.

Fans smashed taxis and assaulted women, one of whom died in hospital.

The riot took place on July 17. Thousands of fans took to the streets after officials refused to allow a friendly match to continue into extra time. The game was between a local Shaanxi provincial team and the national team,

and was tied at 1-1 after 90 minutes.

Police refused to confront the crowds, so ferocious was the reaction to the decision not to allow extra time to be played, and the local chief of police was heavily criticised for the failure of his men to act.

There was at least 65 arrests. Those arrested ranged in age from 17 to 28.

Officials in Xian refused to comment on the riot and the local press never mentioned it.

# Beardsley axed by Atkinson

Those who relish English sporting disasters were denied yet another moment of Anglo anguish to savor by an uplift in the circumstances of England's World Cup team which was little short of miraculous.

On the ropes after woeful performances in the Mexico finals against Portugal and Morocco, England bounced back when team changes, some inspired by sheer panic, others enforced by injuries and a suspension, brought about a total transformation as coach Bobby Robson stumbled across a winning unit.

The replacement of the wooden Mark Hateley by pacy, quicksilver striker Peter Beardsley was a particularly significant move.

Beardsley now has the respect of the entire world soccer community, yet he very nearly was lost to the game after four professional clubs rejected him as a teenager.

Those four were Cambridge United, Gillingham, Burnley and home-town club Newcastle United. Newcastle later recti-

fied its error — at a cost of \$300,000.

Beardsley virtually had given up his dream of becoming a full-time footballer by the time he was 18. The unskilled laborer, who had been on the dole for a period, was playing amateur league soccer for Wallsend Boys' Club when Carlisle United spotted the potential which had not been evident to the other English League clubs and signed him from Wallsend — for a set of football jerseys!

He made his Third Division debut against Blackburn Rovers in August, 1979 and almost immediately became a favorite of the Brunton Park faithful through his aggressive running and close ball control.

Beardsley's reputation quickly spread well beyond Cumbria and many big clubs expressed their interest in acquiring him.

Wily United manager Bob Stokoe (the man who guided Sunderland to its sensational 1973 FA Cup triumph) recognised Beardsley as a future superstar and put a future superstar's price tag on him — \$650,000.

That figure deterred every club with the exception of Vancouver Whitecaps. So the little striker was on his way to Canada.

Carlisle prospered greatly from the move. Not only did Stokoe obtain the cash, which he used to build a promotion-winning team, but he also had the services of a player further refined by contact with some of the world's greatest players when he came home "on loan" during the North American Soccer League's close season.

Vancouver fans had been used to seeing a galaxy of star

players in their team's colors over the years — Bruce Grobelaar, Frans Thijssen, "Hot Shot" Peter Lorimer, Scottish World Cup goalie David Harvey, colorful winger Willie Johnston and Dutch superstar Rudi Krol — yet it was Beardsley they adopted as their special hero.

He also impressed Manchester United manager Ron Atkinson when scoring two goals for the "Caps" in an exhibition game against United and was invited to Old Trafford for a trial.

The terms of the trial were somewhat unusual. If the "Red Devils" decided to sign Beardsley on a permanent contract, Whitecaps would receive \$800,000 and a further \$500,000 if he ever represented England. Should United decree him not worthy of a place on its staff, the Canadians were to get absolutely nothing.

After six months, Atkinson allowed the devastated Beardsley to return to British Columbia, without giving him a single first-team opportunity.

Whitecaps' fans were delighted to see their "Main Man" back and he consolidated his standing among them through a string of outstanding displays.

More than 60,000 saw the opening of Vancouver's futuristic BC Place Stadium and Beardsley completed the celebrations with the two goals that gave the home team a 2-1 win

over old rivals Seattle Sounders.

His goal within 10 seconds of the kick-off against Toronto Blizzard is likely to remain a NASL record forever, now that that organisation has ceased to operate.

After the Manchester United rejection, Beardsley would have been forgiven for a belief that the chance of making the big time in English soccer had gone.

Not so. As the result of a \$300,000 transfer in September, 1983, the diminutive forward moved to Newcastle United and found himself playing alongside former European Footballer of the Year, Kevin Keegan.

Keegan was later to describe the Novacastrian's return as "the final piece of the jigsaw". Certainly, Newcastle looked to be a far better balanced combination once Beardsley settled in.

The "Maggies" duly gained promotion to Division One and Beardsley immediately proved himself among the top grade's sharpest front runners.

An England call-up came when the squad was chosen for the game in Egypt last February, which Fleet Street unanimously condemned as a meaningless fixture.

In keeping with past World Cup history, he was on hand to step in when the chips were down and become one of the Mundial's revelations.



● Ian Rush

## That man Rush again

Welsh international striker Ian Rush scored a hat-trick last week as Liverpool beat Everton 4-1 to win the English Super Cup 7-2 on aggregate.

Liverpool, the English League champion and FA Cup holder, added to its collection of silverware with a brilliant performance from Rush at Everton's Goodison Park stadium.

Rush scored in the 11th, 29th and 85th minute to take his tally in Merseyside derbies to 16 — only three less than Dixie Dean's all-time record — and Steve Nicol joined in with a 63rd minute volley.

Everton's Scottish striker Graeme Sharp scored a consolation goal in the 89th minute from the penalty spot. Kevin Sheedy hit the bar in the first half and Trevor Steven the post with a 53rd minute penalty.

Even without injured player-manager Kenny Dalglish, Liverpool showed lethal finishing and thoroughly embarrassed Everton with a powerful display in a one-sided final, held over from the end of last season when fixture congestion prevented it from being played before the World Cup Finals.

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# Makedonia can do it!

Preston Makedonia goes into Sunday's Ricoh Dockerty Cup quarter-final with George Cross not worried about injuries, not worried about tactics, just worried about hangovers.

Makedonia's presentation night is on Saturday and when

the VSF announced on Monday that it had switched the quarter-final double header from tonight (Wednesday) to this Sunday at Olympic Park No. 1, Makedonia officials immediately complained to the federation.

But their complaints fell on deaf ears. Quite a few of the Make-

donia players don't mind a bit of a drink (I've found out from experience) but coach Bill Murray and the committee no doubt will plead with the players to show restraint on Saturday night.

That's because Murray probably believes that Makedonia can win the Ricoh Dockerty Cup.

So do I. I've just got a hunch that things are going to pan out much better for Makedonia here. It played, and lost, three finals last year — the National Cup Final, the Southern Division Grand Final and the Ricoh Dockerty Cup Final — but all-in-all it had a great season. Just reaching these finals was a superb achievement.

How different it's been this year. Makedonia failed to make the top five even though it secured a place in next year's 14-team National League.

The side was hit by a spate of injuries in a season in which Con Opasinas had to become accustomed to the demands of playing sweeper, while Ian Roodhouse, Ron Campbell, Mike McLennan, Nick van Egmond and George Jolevski tried to come to terms with the demands of playing at the highest club level in Australia.

Then there were the imports — Mile Necovski and Martin Woodall. Necovski simply didn't make it, while Woodall arrived late in the season and was troubled by injury.

While injury also dogged

## TAPAI, BOZINOVSKI AND STOSIC TO DOWN CAULFIELD

By CRAIG MacKENZIE

that superb striker Steve Smith, another superb striker, Sean Lane, lost form.

But Smith and Lane have overcome their problems and that's a major problem for George Cross, albeit that Lane probably will play in midfield. If I was a coach and had money to spend, I'd buy Smith and Lane tomorrow.

But let's look at George Cross and the achievement of coach John Gardiner. I'm sure the Cross lads will disagree with me bitterly, but Makedonia has the classier players, yet Cross has had an outstanding season and you can't take anything from Gardiner and his players on that score.

I honestly don't think that he's got a superb squad to work with. What I think he's got, and he's chosen the players himself, is a very well balanced, well drilled group of players.

Gardiner comes in for some

criticism for concentrating on the defensive aspects of the game but at the end of the day, he can turn around and proudly point to Cross' goals against record this year and rightly use that as a yardstick for the side's success.

The George Cross-Makedonia clash is the second of Sunday's quarter-finals. The kick-off time of the first quarter-final, between Caulfield City from State League and Footscray JUST, originally was scheduled for 1.30pm but the VSF is trying to arrange for the national youth final between George Cross and the AIS to start at 12.45 pm at Olympic Park No. 1, meaning that we could be in for a three-match program.

And perhaps a late kick-off for the Cross-Makedonia clash, especially if extra time is required in the first two games. JUST should beat Caulfield

and beat it convincingly. If JUST coach Dragoslav Sekularac plays his strongest team, Caulfield will be struggling.

But watch out for Caulfield striker Danny Zemunik. He'll buzz about all afternoon, probably marked by Tom Karic, and he'll let Karic and fellow defenders Vojislav Vukcevic and Rade Barjaktarevic know that they've been in a game.

When sides play with just two men forward, Sekularac uses two markers with Vukcevic as sweeper. He won't be able to do that against Caulfield, whose coach, Takis Svingos, will be adventurous and use three up front — Zemunik, Pepe Abraam and probably Panikos Ttofari.

JUST isn't that quick at the back so Abraam and Zemunik could be a worry, nevertheless, it's hard to see the Caulfield midfield competing successfully against Ernie Tapai, Vlado Bozinovski and Vlado Stosic.



Sean Lane (right) and Steve Smith celebrate a Makedonia goal.

## Season over for Campbell

**GREEN GULLY 5** (Cumming 12th, 22nd, penalty 55th, Carter penalty 45th, Cannell 89th. FAWKNER 0. Ricoh Dockerty Cup quarter-final at Olympic Park No. 2, Saturday. Crowd: abt 200. Cautions: Theodosopoulos, Douglas (GG); R Wilson (F). Referee: Sam Zoumas 8.

**GREEN GULLY:** Denys 5 — McLelland 6, Cannell 7, Douglas 6 — Fraser 6, Quigley 7, Theodosopoulos 6, Carter 6 — Cumming 8 (Deakin 73rd), Ward 6, G. Campbell 6 (inj. Kadlicek 65th). Coach: Gus Macleod.

**FAWKNER:** R. Wilson 4 — Chiavelli 6, Fattore 5, Schipano 4, Bordignon 5 — Sabatino 5 (inj. Orlando 57th), Tuffield 5, Forla 4, Di Cecco 7 — Arico 4, Marasco 4. Coach: Frank McAleer.

George Campbell's season ended when he was carried off with badly damaged knee ligaments in the 65th minute.

And Fawknor's chances of going further in the Ricoh Dockerty Cup ended with the first of Tommy Cumming's three goals. That was in the 12th minute.

Scott Fraser took a free kick on the right and the ball was headed clear to Cumming whose firm drive was deflected past Richard Wilson.

Fawknor was woeful. Gordon Flavell was out due to suspension, injury had forced Bruno Cozzella to miss the match, Fab Mancinelli is overseas and Roy Walsh was unavailable for family reasons.

But it almost hit back in the 18th minute when Paul Chiavelli's free kick was headed

Man of the match: **TOMMY CUMMING** (Green Gully)

firmly by Ian Tuffield but Lou Denys palmed the ball over.

There was no way Fawknor was going to come back after going 2-0 down in the 22nd minute.

Campbell's corner to the near post was inadvertently headed on by a defender to Cumming at the far post and Cumming hit the ball home first time from six metres.

Right on half-time, Gully went further ahead.

John Di Cecco made a clumsy tackle from behind on Cumming and Les Carter converted the penalty with ease.

Five minutes into the second half a superb long ball from Frank Sabbatino sent Tuffield on his way but a defender did well to get a foot to the ball and knock it over the bar for a corner.

Five minutes later, Wilson upended Campbell inside the area. Referee Sam Zoumas booked Wilson and pointed to the penalty spot. Cumming didn't have any difficulty in completing his hat-trick.

A minute later, Di Cecco sent over a great far post cross from the left. Ton Marasco was charging in but with the goal at his mercy he headed wide from four metres out.

Denys did well to parry a fine Di Cecco volley in the 86th minute and in the 89th minute, Wilson moved very slowly as Stuart Cannell's header went in at the far post to make it 5-0.

—CRAIG MACKENZIE

**HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER 3** (Pappas 65th, 78th, Wilson 73rd) **MELBOURNE CROATIA 1** (Lewis 26th). Ricoh Dockerty Cup quarter-final at Olympic Park No. 2, Saturday. Crowd: about 200. Cautions: Jurcic (MC); Selemidis (H). Referee: Stuart Mellings 8.

**HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER:** Oliver 7 — McKie 6, Selemidis 7, Hunter 6, Katsakidis 6 — Kanesoulis 6 (Valentine 62nd), Lucchesi 6 (Deligiannis 86th), Merley 6, Pappas 8 — Wilson 8, Tsolakis 6. Coach: Brian Garvey.

**MELBOURNE CROATIA:** Govic 2 — Talajic 6, Hannah 6, Redmond 5, Jurcic 5 (Valentic 79th) — Gagula 6, Campbell 4, Biskic 5, Cristaldo 4 — Markovac 6, Lewis 4. Coach: Terry Hennessy.

Man of the match: **CON PAPPAS** (Heidelberg)

Mirko Runje need have no fears about recapturing the number one goal-keeping spot at Croatia after a display Zeljko Govic would like to forget in a hurry but probably will have nightmares over for some time to come.

Govic made the worst blunder I've seen from a goalie for many a year when he allowed Ivan Jurcic's backpass to slip through his grasp in the 65th minute. Con Pappas had time to run past the startled Govic who simply turned around and expected the worst. And that's

exactly what he saw. Pappas knelt down and cheekily headed the ball over the line and into goal.

That was Heidelberg's equaliser and it was the turning point of the match.

Heidelberg, the club now under the hands of a provisional liquidator and desperately trying to pay off the major slab of a debt reported to be in the vicinity of \$160,000, could have been excused for going through the motions in this match in order to end its season and put all its energies into addressing its financial crisis.

But the players had different ideas, especially Con Pappas and Paul Wilson, who were head and shoulders above the other players on the park.

This display by Croatia must have had committee-men scratching their heads. On this display, and that has to be stressed, Croatia needs about six or seven new players to do well in the NSL next year.

But everything looked rosy early on. Robert Markovac was in fine form in the first 20 minutes and Paul Lewis put Croatia ahead after 26 minutes.

Lewis pressured Hunter whose backpass to the advancing Jeff Oliver wasn't well weighted, allowing Lewis to slam the ball past the Heidelberg goalie.

In the 38th minute, Claude Lucchesi chipped the ball to Pappas at the far post but Pappas headed over.

Two minutes from half-time, Theo Selemidis played his free kick short to Tsolakis whose shot was blocked. The ball fell to Kanesoulis who struck it against George Hannah. The ball deflected to Wilson who hammered it over from the right of the area.

Five minutes after Govic's blunder Heidelberg was set to hit the front when Tsolakis burst clear but Mark Talajic recovered in style, sliding down and making a superb tackle to dispossess Tsolakis.

But Talajic was caught "sleeping" in the 73rd minute. Pappas crossed low from the right and Wilson darted in front of Talajic and poked the ball past Govic to make it 2-1.

Another Talajic blunder (drove the nail into Croatia's coffin. It came in the 78th minute. Wilson's cross from the

right went straight to Talajic who couldn't control the ball properly. It ran behind him and Pappas tapped it in from a metre out.

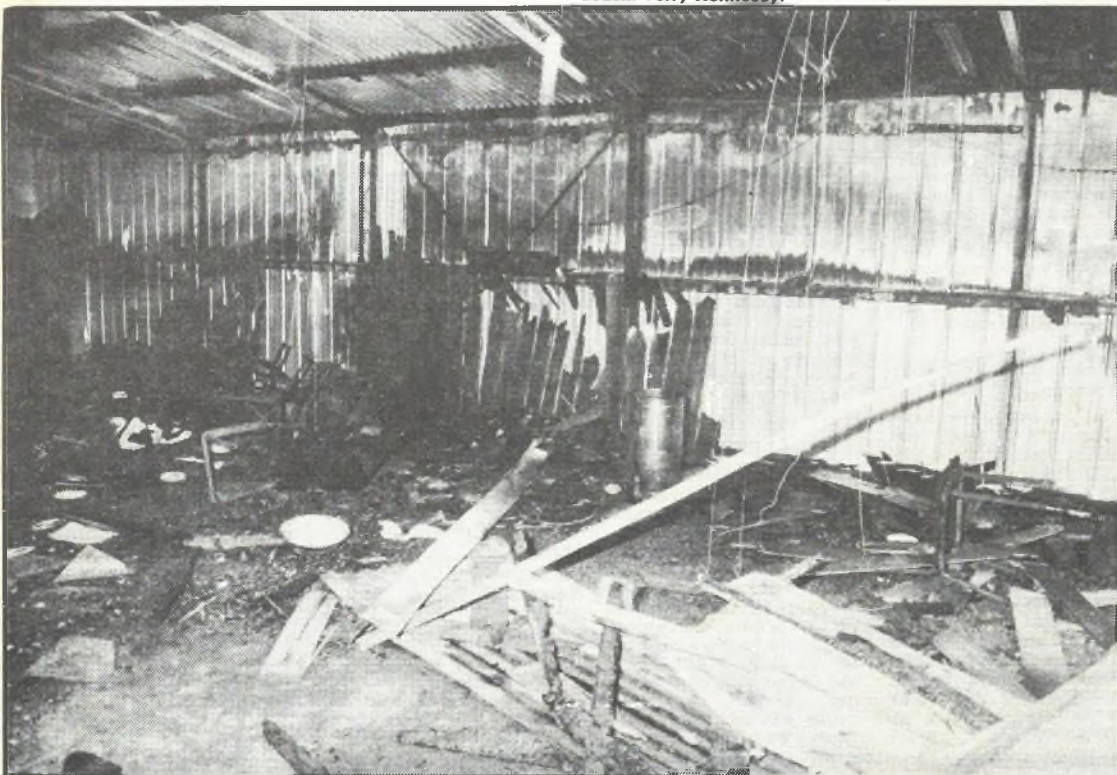
Thank goodness there weren't many Croats at this game because they would have been quite entitled to ask for their money back after watching this pathetic display from their team. In fact, I was talking to a couple of Croats after the match and we couldn't remember seeing Croatia play so badly.

Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey is disturbed by some of the Press reports concerning the club's debt and criticism made in the Press about the current administration.

"I don't want to involve myself in the politics of the situation but I would like people to know that this current administration is the most stable and efficient one I've been under at the club," said Garvey.

"I feel sorry for the administration which finds itself in a bad situation because of a debt it inherited."

—CRAIG MACKENZIE



Les Shorrock's picture tells the tale of the fire which gutted the clubrooms of State League club Western Suburbs recently at Ralph Reserve.

The damage is estimated to be close to \$25,000 but there's light at the end of the tunnel for Suburbs. Sunshine council is likely to provide the club with a

temporary pavilion but the council already has approved plans for a \$200,000 clubroom at Ralph Reserve which should be finished by the end of next season.

Sunshine council also has big plans to develop a \$1.5 million sporting complex in Ballarat Road and Suburbs hope to be based there by the end of 1989.

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● Thomastown League veterans Gladiators. Back row: Vic Stoikov, Max Nickolas, Chris Temouskas, Chris Tanevski. Front: Steve Lazenkas, John Gorgovski, Con Terpos.

## Knight the best for Tornados

### Syd Tornados 8 Melb Eliminators 2

**TORNADOES:** Psadoudis, Stuart, Osman, Tour, Jeffrey, Lembyki, Gilligan, Knight.  
**ELIMINATORS:** Kibret, Boin, Noggler, Metaxas, Kondinski, Wondimu, Avgerinos.

This was an easy win for the Tornados. The Eliminators' skill and set play from the previous match was missing and they put up a lacklustre performance.

The Eliminators began badly with Aki Kotzamalidis out through illness and the brilliant John Micheloudakis out with an injury from outdoor soccer.

The Eliminators played new keeper Lemma Kibret, who proved to be an excellent player and will feature in future games. Another newcomer to the Eliminators' line-up was Ermias Wondimu who, in time, will prove a valuable asset.

The beginning of the game saw two goals from Jeffries of the Tornados, followed by one

**Man of the match:**  
**STEVE KNIGHT**  
(Syd Tornados)

each from Noggler and Metaxas but, at the break, a goal by Steve Knight of the Tornados kept them ahead.

The second half saw a tiring Eliminator side losing touch with the Tornados, although Kibret showed remarkable skill and saved a number of near-certain goals.

Noggler, for the Eliminators, was put out of the game with an injury and that gave the Tornados the freedom to notch up the rest of their goals.

Knight was brilliant for the Tornados, holding the ball at will and playing it always to his advantage.

The Tornados team shared many of the goals and played a game many will remember. It was this style that will keep them at the top of the ladder.

## STANDINGS

### James Haride NISL standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sydney Tornados	9	0	1	55	25	28
Lotto Allstars	7	0	3	43	39	24
Brisbane Buffalos	5	0	5	50	33	20
Canberra City Strikers	5	0	3	41	48	18
Enduro Spartans	4	0	5	51	59	17
Ansett Valley Stars	3	0	3	36	25	12
Canberra Rockets	2	0	5	40	49	11
Melb Eliminators	2	0	5	38	53	11
Buffalo Mets	2	0	4	25	32	10
Mackay Monarchs	0	0	5	6	22	5

### Donvale Group 1 standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Gisspland Ghosts	2	0	0	18	7	6
Smooth Operators	1	1	0	6	4	5
Kaiser Chiefs	1	0	1	10	9	4
Canons	1	0	0	6	4	3
Zlatna Luka	0	1	1	9	11	3
White Peles	0	1	0	3	3	2
Los Muchachos	0	1	0	5	5	2
Carcioffi Rangers	0	0	2	2	14	2
Riviera	0	0	1	2	4	1

### Donvale Group 2 standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Zobel	5	0	0	68	7	15
Fijiana	4	0	0	28	15	12
Sweathogs	3	0	2	23	22	11
Raiders	3	0	1	27	20	10
Azzurri	2	0	3	21	31	9
Adriatic Slickers	1	1	2	16	26	9
Nike	2	0	2	15	10	8
Peperoncini	0	2	3	13	32	7
Bonds	1	0	3	16	25	6
Master Blaster	1	0	3	11	32	6
Disciples	0	1	3	15	43	5

### Preston Senior A standing

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Grasshoppers	5	2	0	65	15	19
Preston Pythons	4	2	0	44	17	19
Goodonya	4	1	2	60	32	17
Euronations	3	1	2	50	24	14
Moreland	3	1	3	44	52	14
Nacionals	1	3	3	24	30	12
Ugly Juventus	1	0	6	18	63	9
Mutundies Revenge	0	1	6	7	86	8

### Preston Youth A standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Makedonia Raiders	5	0	1	46	9	19
United Nations	5	0	1	46	13	19
Olympic	4	1	1	45	19	18
Zaggers	3	0	3	25	26	15
Makedonia Elim	1	1	3	20	31	14
Gladstone Raiders	0	0	5	14	36	11

**Snior top scorers: 35—Markukos (Good), 28—Metaxas (Grass), 27—Frangakis (Euro).**  
**Youth top scorers: 24—Tosevski (MRO, 23—Georgarakis (Un), 16—Archimandritis (Oly).**

### Thomastown League standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Brilliant Barbas	10	0	0	87	27	30
Manchester Excited	8	0	1	74	26	25
Celtics	7	0	2	89	22	23
Vasco de Gama	6	0	2	40	26	23
Furious Five	5	0	4	50	34	19
Shamrocks	5	0	4	44	32	19
Inernazionale	2	0	6	39	43	15
Marazico	1	0	7	25	59	13
Gippstars	1	0	7	30	72	13
Gladiators	1	0	8	16	82	11

**Top scorers: 43—Metaxas (C), 34—Belegrinos (BB), 28—Thalassinos (ME), 27—Markakos (ME).**

## Look out for Los Muchachos

### Zlatna Luka 5 Los Muchachos 5

Zlatna Luka, up against Donvale League newcomers Los Muchachos, found out that they were a very talented team which will cause a few upsets in the Group.

Zlatna Luka had the advantage at half time with a 3-2 lead

and, fine passages of play were noted from Carlos and Mahoney for Zlatna, but Ferrier, for the Muchachos, had a great first-up game and put away two goals for his side.

The game see-sawed throughout with neither side gaining a clear advantage.

Both sides put on an excellent display of soccer and the result was fitting.

### S. Operators 3 White Peles 3

The group champions from Donvale were matched in the same group and showed all concerned that they really are the best sides there.

Tony Mainenti, as usual, played brilliant soccer while Bisetto and Boin for the Operators were playing well too.

Carlo Baravelli scored the

first two goals of the game in the first half and left the Operators worrying during the break, but they hit back to score three goals in the second half to the Peles one.

### Zobel 24

### Disciples 1

This game was obviously a mismatch, as the talented Zobel showed soccer wizardry not many have seen before.

The Disciples were stunned at the brilliance of Ermias Wondimu who scored 14 goals and of Solomon Wondimu who scored four.

Keeper Lemma Kibret had an easy job. Needless to say, with scores like these Zobel lead Group B while Disciples are on the bottom of the ladder.

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**THIS PASS ALLOWS ENTRY FOR TWO**

# BRILLIANT BARBAS

### Brilliant Barbas 14 Gladiators 2

The Brilliant Barbas rounded off their last Thomastown League game with a resounding victory over the Gladiators and kept intact their 100 per cent record.

George Belegrinos was in excellent form with four goals, as was "Twinkle Toes" Fasanella, who scored six.

Perry Belegrinos had a quiet match but still managed to notch a hat-trick.

Zoran Trakov could not find the target with his efforts but, when he finally did, it was a sizzling free kick which the keeper didn't see. The Gladiators scored through Vic Stoikov and Chris Temouskas but the team rarely tested opposing keeper Nick Katsis.

### Vasco de Gama 4 Celtics 2

The Celtics suffered another defeat at the hands of a really pumped-up Vasco team.

### Vasco de Gama 6 Gippstars 2

Vasco de Gama won its second game of the night and is making a late charge for a top five berth.

Harry Stergiou again had a fine match, as did Albert Stasi, who scored a hat-trick. Christ Tsutulis scored two.

Michael Kyriakopoulos and John Patilas scored for the Gippstars and Michael Contos showed us why he is known as "The Cat" when he went into goal.

### Man. Excited 6 Furious Five 3

The Furious Five were playing with a man short from the start of the match but they gave the Excited team a hard match.

One wonders what the score may have been had they had a full team.

Sokratis Panouktis was Manchester Excited's best player closely followed by Manny Koulouriotis.

George Thalassinos notched up two goals. Les Sitilidis scored all three for the Furious Five but keeper Hass Eideh stole the limelight with a fine performance.

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# Due grandi Juventus, solo un buon tecnico

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● Action from Sunday's Southern Division Grand Final. Joe Mullen (left) of Adelaide Juventus is at full stretch to try and reach the ball as Footscray JUST midfielder Suleiman Curovic is about to challenge. Pictures: LES SHORROCK.



● Adrian Santrac (left) of Adelaide Juventus, has things under control despite the presence of Vlatko Belic, one of the hard men of JUST.

La Juventus id Adelaide, battendo il JUST e la Juventus di Melbourne, e nuovamente il JUST nella finalissima, ha vinto la coppa "top five" del girone meridionale della NSL, guadagnando così il diritto di battere per il titolo nazionale contro il Sydney Olympic che l'ha spuntata sul St. George nella finalissima del girone settentrionale.

Sembra la conclusione di una moderna storia alla "Cenerentola" per i bianconeri di Matic che all'inizio dell'anno certamente non entravano non solo nel pronostico dello scudetto nazionale, ma nemmeno in quello della salvezza.

Infatti, mentre tutte le altre squadre davano mano al libretto degli assegni per cercare di "comprare" successo e salvezza, la Juventus partiva con la stessa formazione che l'anno prima era finita nona e che negli anni precedenti non aveva fatto molto meglio. Per di più alla guida tecnica della squadra arrivava il debuttante Zoran Matic che faceva il salto in Lega Nazionale dopo qualche anno nella Lega Statale del Sud Australia.

Ma l'undici zebrato appariva subito una formazione garibaldina, tutta pepe e scioltezza, in cui ogni uomo giocava secondo il suo stile naturale, quindi al massimo delle sue possibilità. Nessun schema ermetico, nessuna impostazione supertattica, ma calcio lineare, accorto ed efficace.

Una difesa bene impostata intorno al portiere paratutto McNally e alla vecchia volpe Buggy Nyskohus; un centrocampo a regia del brillante Mella ed una prima linea con i filtranti Mullen e Maxwell. Tattica di gioco tipica delle squadre di buon senso e talento individuale: temporeggiare assorbendo le sfortune e aspettando l'occasione propizia per il contropiede o per un'azione corale in un momento di distrazione degli avversari; sicuri che l'uomo-goal di turno avrebbe colto il bersaglio alla prima o seconda occasione.

Diverse volte in campionato, e ben due volte nelle tre partite

delle finali, la Juventus di Matic si è permesso il lusso di trovarsi in svantaggio per poi pareggiare e rimontare. Segno di nervi a posto e di sapiente "lavorare allo stomaco" dell'avversario.

E una volta passata in vantaggio, la saracinesca bianconera si chiudeva e gli avversari più blasonati rimanevano con tanto di naso. La Juventus di Adelaide ha tutte le carte in regola per vincere il titolo nazionale, incluso un entusiasmo alle stelle. E Zoran Matic merita indubbiamente il titolo di allenatore dell'anno, oltre che un bel monumento.

Chiedendo al modesto tecnico come avesse fatto ad operare il miracolo, abbiamo ricevuto una risposta sconcertante e semplicissima: "Noi non abbiamo tanto da dire ai giocatori, li mandiamo in campo a fare quello che sanno fare meglio... e nemmeno i soldi contano molto". Beata naturalezza!

La tifoseria italiana di tutta Australia seguirà con immensa simpatia questa squadra rivelazione e questo tecnico ricco di buon senso e di modestia durante le prossime due settimane e gioirà con loro alla conquista del titolo australiano.

Almeno una Juventus ha vinto fin qui e si appresta a vincere il titolo più ambito. Ma tutti si aspettavano, fino a pochi giorni fa che sarebbe stata la Juventus di Melbourne.

Alla fin dei conti la Juventus di Melbourne schierava la squadra che l'anno scorso aveva vinto il titolo nazionale, rinforzata dall'acquisto di Yzendoorn (uno dei migliori liberi in Australia) e da Patterson e arricchita con il definitivo emergere di ragazzi come palatsidis e Durakovic e con l'arrivo di altri ottimi rincalzi come Maramma e Vesnaver. Per non parlare dell'allenatore descritto da

certa stampa superficiale come "il tecnico di maggior successo".

Non vogliamo tornare sulle considerazioni relative alla maggior parte del campionato. In ogni caso la squadra, grazie alla sua forza uomo per uomo (nonché al crollo del JUST) era riuscita a conquistare lo scudetto del girone meridionale con una maschia prestazione contro il South Melbourne Hellas nell'ultima di campionato, raggiungendo il derelitto JUST 3 superandolo solo per la differenza reti.

La partita con l'Hellas era stata molto atipica alla tattica suicida di McKendry. Era proprio sembrato che i giocatori in campo avessero fatto "da soli" spinti dalla disperazione e dall'orgoglio.

Nelle finali però la tattica inetta del tecnico "di successo" ha ripreso il sopravvento ed abbiamo rivisto una generosissima Juventus dominare contro la consorella di Adelaide e finire per perdere. Dominare nel modo più assoluto contro il JUST e finire per perdere.

Nessuna squadra avrebbe potuto dare più di quanto la Juventus ha dato contro il JUST mercoldei scorso; gli undici bianconeri in campo hanno dato una dimostrazione di classe, coraggio, cuore e grinta mai visti prima da nessuna squadra. In campo la Juventus aveva undici leoni feroci... in panchina un agnello ingenuo e impaurito travestito da allenatore.

Con una squadra che dominava in lungo ed in largo e che svolgeva il 95% del gioco in campo, McKendry ha impostato i suoi uomini su un ridicolo e inedito 4-5-1, con Zinni unico uomo avanzato e letteralmente "ammantato" da tre o quattro difensori avversari! Roba da pazzi, oltre che da incapaci.

Per di più il tecnico bianconero non aveva nemmeno il

buon senso di sostituire a secondo tempo avanzato Palatsidis che era l'unico suo giocatore ad aver ricevuto un'ammonezione e che per il suo ruolo di motorino era provatissimo al punto da sembrare ubriaco. Fatto sta che Palatsidis entrava alla cieca e si beccava un'altra ammonizione con automatica espulsione.

Ridotta in dieci la Juventus riusciva a segnare! Con la partita che volgeva alla fine anche un ragazzino di cinque anni avrebbe ricorso al più ermetico catenaccio. Ma non McKendry, tanto è vero che ad un minuto dalla fine del tempo regolamentare tre difensori bianconeri si trovavano a fronteggiare quattro avversari in area! Era il pareggio e l'inizio della fine per una squadra che aveva dominato, che aveva dato fino all'ultima goccia di sudore, che aveva commosso per la sua generosità rasentante l'eroismo. Questo undici bianconeri meritava maggior fortuna (se solo avesse avuto un allenatore migliore!).

Non vogliamo inveire ulteriormente su McKendry. Ci auguriamo soltanto che il prossimo comitato lo manderà a "rovinare un'altra grande squadra" prima che sotterri completamente la Juventus se glie ne sarà dato il tempo. Peccato sia tanto ottuso, perché l'uomo ha grandi qualità come preparatore atletico, come rifinitore di giocatori, oltre ad un grande senso del dovere e alla più completa dedizione al suo lavoro. Andrebbe benissimo come direttore tecnico del vivaio giovanile. E diciamo questo come un complimento, non come un'offesa.

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The Player of the Year Award was won by Steve Moyle who polled 36 votes. Steve, who is a one-club man having started with the juniors a decade ago, picked up votes in the 16 out of 25 games including eight best-on-field performances.

Second place on a countback went to first-season player Peter

Chiaravalle with 24 votes while top scorer Chris Middlemast took third spot.

Other winners were: Most Improved Player: Nick Hurleston

Players Award: 1st Peter Chiaravalle, 2nd Stephen McCombe, 3rd Robert Madjer.

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ΛΑΤΚΟΥΡΠΙΝ - ΩΚΑΗ 5-7

ΔΩΔΕΚΑ ΓΚΟΛ μήκαν στο γήπεδο του Λα-  
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κη - πρόκριση 7-5.

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ΑΛΤΟΝΑ ΓΚΛΙΦΤ - ΝΤΑΝΤΕΝΟΓΚ ΣΙΤΥ 5-4

ΣΕ ΕΝΑ αγώνα που η Αλτόνα έπρεπε να  
νικήσει με καθαρό σκόρ, τελικά έληξε  
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Ν.ΕΛΛΑΣ - ΚΑΙΦΤΟΝ ΧΙΑ 3-4 ΣΤΑ ΠΕΝΑΛΤΥ

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τικά πλαίσια.

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σικά της στελέχη, στάθηκε πολύ καλά μέ-  
σα στον αγωνιστικό χώρο με καλύτερο  
τον νεαρό τερματοφύλακα Μαρίνο Τσουκα-  
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σε ο θαυμάσιος γκολκίπερ Γιάννης Κύρ-  
γιος που απέκρουσε το πέναλτυ του Κα-  
ρυπίδη.

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λάς οι Τακιανός, Παλαμάς, Σακελάριος  
ενώ το σουτ του Καρυπίδη απέκρουσε ο  
Κύργιος και ο Κερεσιδής έστειλε την  
μπάλλα άουτ.

Για το Κλίφτον ευστόχησαν οι Τυρικός,  
Γουάιλλυ, Κουτσιάρας, Στρατάκης, ενώ το  
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Victoria		SEAFORD	
VIC. LEAGUE CUP		EASTERN B	
Quarter-finals: Altona Gate defeated Dandenong City 5-3 on penalties, Clifton Hill defeated Port Melbourne 4-3 on penalties, Mooroolbark 1 Hawthorn 2, Langwarrin 5 Oakleigh 7 after extra time.		Sth Springvale	14 2 0 59 12 30
Semi-finals, this Saturday at Esther Park, Mooroolbark, first match at 1.30 pm.		Clarinda 'A'	11 3 2 48 14 25
		Karingal	7 6 3 34 26 20
		Caulfield City	7 5 4 36 19 19
		Dingley 'A'	4 7 5 19 29 15
		Hampton Park	4 3 9 19 43 11
		Peninsula	3 3 10 15 43 9
		Sth Dande 'A'	2 4 10 15 43 9
		Ringwood City	2 3 11 11 27 7

AMATEUR LEAGUE CUP		EASTERN C	
Semi-finals: Phillip Institute 2 Brimions 1, Waverley Wanderers 1 Collingwood City 2 after extra time.		Oakleigh	12 4 2 54 23 28
AMATEUR RESERVES CUP		Waverley City	13 1 4 38 19 27
Semi-finals: Waverley Wanderers 1 Anstey 2, Old Scotch 1 Balwyn City 3.		East Richmond	12 2 4 41 14 26
PROV. LEAGUE CUP		Nunawading City	11 1 6 60 40 23
Quarter-finals: Cranbourne 2 Pascoe Vale 1, Seaford United defeated North Sunshine 8-7 on penalties, West Meads 0 Williamstown 2, Ivanhoe 2 Malvern City 4.		Cranbourne	9 4 5 38 25 22
		Croydon City	9 1 8 51 30 19
		Lyndale	6 5 3 39 32 17
		Waverley Utd	3 2 13 22 45 8
		Dingley 'B'	2 2 14 13 58 6
		Mulgrave	1 2 15 11 81 4

PROV. RESERVES CUP		EASTERN D	
Quarter-finals: Ivanhoe 3 Pascoe Vale 1, Ringwood Rovers 2 Greensborough 1, Brunswick City 1 Parkmore 0, Geelong United 5 Balclutha 2.		Dncster Rvrs 'B'	13 2 1 63 8 28
INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE		Ringwood Utd	12 1 3 62 23 25
Black Douglas Cup Final: Meko Holdings 3 Footscray United 0.		Nunabuk	10 4 2 46 12 24
Invitation Cup Final: Altona Ilinden C.W. 0 Glenroy Doxa Ltd 2.		Watsonia	10 1 4 42 18 21
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP		Forest Hill	6 5 5 42 28 17
Division 1: winners Meko Holdings; second Glenroy Doxa United.		Box Hill 'B'	5 4 7 42 39 14
Division 1 Reserves: winners Glenroy Doxa United; second Middle Park.		Sth Dande 'B'	3 3 10 19 40 9
Division 2: winners Amicon; second Preston Pythons.		Gembrook	1 3 12 10 78 5
Division 2 Reserves: winners Preston Pythons; second Fibremakers United.		Baxter 'B'	0 1 15 3 83 1
Division 3 East: winners Dallas United; second Northern Cross-St Helena.			
Division 3 West: winners St Albans Wanderers; second Highpoint.		NORTHERN A	
Division 4: winners Kings Park Heights; second Anstey.		B.U. Juventus 'A'	15 2 1 64 10 32

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UNDER 11		WESTERN A	
CENTRAL A		Altona City	9 2 1 54 9 20
Caulfield Cy A	16 0 0 7 11 32	St Albans	8 4 0 43 5 10
Beaumaris	9 1 6 46 29 19	North Geelong	5 4 3 30 17 14
Kew Park Rngs	9 1 6 38 23 19	Sunshine Hts 'A'	5 3 4 29 20 13
Sandringham	8 1 7 38 32 17	North Sunshine	3 2 7 8 35 8
Brunswick City	6 4 6 29 33 16	East Altona	2 3 7 8 31 7
Malvern City	7 1 8 26 34 15	Mossfield	0 2 10 8 53 2
Brighton	5 0 11 23 57 10		
Sth Melb Hellas	4 1 11 13 41 9	WESTERN B	
Prahran SL	2 3 11 21 48 7	Western Suburbs	12 2 0 61 3 26

CENTRAL B		WESTERN C	
Oakleigh	14 0 0 111 9 28	B.U. Juventus 'B'	11 2 1 39 9 22
East B.Leigh A	11 1 2 59 16 23	Sunshine Hts 'B'	11 0 3 34 14 24
Caulfield Cy B	10 1 3 63 26 21	S.S.G.X.	9 2 3 35 1 20
Melbourne	7 1 6 58 52 15	Albion Rovers	5 4 5 20 19 14
Clifton Hill	5 1 8 22 38 11	Sunshine Park	4 4 6 19 17 12
Karingal	4 0 10 30 53 8	Sunbury Utd	3 3 8 19 23 9
Mordialloc	2 0 12 12 57 4	Melton	2 2 10 8 41 6
East Richmond	0 13 7 11 1 2	West United	1 3 10 9 43 5

EASTERN A		UNDER 13	
S.Vale City A	12 3 1 69 9 27	EASTERN A	
Mitcham	12 3 1 66 22 27	Oakleigh 'A'	12 5 1 43 18 29
Knox City	12 2 2 48 14 26	Waverley Utd 'A'	11 4 3 41 16 26
Dnster Rvrs A	6 4 6 21 23 16	Skye Rvrs 'A'	7 7 4 35 23 21
Waverley Utd	5 2 9 18 37 12	Clarinda	9 2 7 46 26 20
Nunawading City	4 3 9 22 38 11	Caulfield City	6 8 4 22 17 20
Waverley Cy A	4 3 9 22 38 11	Nunawading City	8 2 5 25 18 18
Mooroolbark	3 2 11 13 45 8	Springvale Cy 'A'	8 1 9 29 17 17
Glen Waverley	0 3 13 8 50 3	Waverley City	7 2 9 25 32 16

EASTERN B		EASTERN B	
Eastern Hill	15 2 1 67 5 32	Malvern City	14 3 1 54 12 31
Karingal	13 3 2 44 12 29	Sth Springvale	13 1 4 52 21 27
Ferniees Gully	11 6 1 38 19 28	Mooroolbark	12 1 5 57 15 25
Croydon Cy A	8 4 6 31 20 20	Dncaster Rvrs	10 4 4 64 31 24
Bulleen A	7 6 5 22 15 20	Mulgrave 'A'	8 5 5 46 28 21
Belgrave South	5 5 8 30 36 15	East Richmond	8 3 7 36 36 19
Mulgrave A	3 7 8 25 37 13	Karingal 'A'	6 2 10 33 43 14
Clarinda A	3 3 12 13 55 9	Kew Park Rngs	4 1 13 28 61 9
Boronia	1 6 11 17 49 8	Skye Rvrs 'B'	2 2 14 11 63 6
Eltham	2 2 14 19 58 6	Sth Parkmore	1 2 15 16 67 4

EASTERN C		EASTERN C	
Clarinda B	13 1 0 64 2 27	Beaumaris	12 1 1 83 23 25
Waverley Cy B	10 2 2 45 16 22	Forest Hill	10 2 2 60 17 22
East B.Leigh B	6 2 6 32 35 14	Keysborough	10 1 3 66 28 21
S.Vale City B	7 0 7 21 24 14	Ferniees Gully	6 3 5 39 21 15
Monbulk	7 0 7 25 40 14	Burwood Utd	6 1 7 47 37 13
Bulleen B	5 1 8 31 41 11	Sandringham	4 2 8 21 65 10
Dncaster Rvrs B	2 2 11 13 39 5	Sandringham	4 2 8 21 65 10
Berwick Cy B	2 1 11 9 43 5	Berwick City	2 0 12 16 75 2

NORTHERN A		EASTERN D	
Lalor Utd A	13 2 1 69 14 28	Mitcham	13 1 2 77 9 27
Preston A	11 3 2 49 17 25	Sth Dandenong	9 4 3 34 16 22
B.V. Juventus A	11 1 4 50 15 23	Sth Melb Hellas	9 4 3 34 16 22
Nth Reservoir A	10 1 5 47 23 21	Doveton	10 4 6 40 15 20
Broadmeadows	10 1 5 40 20 21	Mulgrave	2 10 4 44 14 14
Essendon City	2 5 9 18 46 9	Frankston Pines	4 4 8 24 43 12
Heidelberg Utd	2 2 12 23 63 6	Balclutha	4 3 9 23 62 11
Thomastown	2 2 12 19 58 6	Langwarrin	0 9 7 2 27 9
Lalor	2 1 13 24 73 5	Haslings	1 5 10 19 57 7

NORTHERN B		NORTHERN A	
Fawkner	14 1 1 81 14 29	B.U. Juventus 'A'	14 4 0 68 10 32
Northcote Cy A	12 3 1 70 12 27	Lalor	13 4 1 76 25 30
Regent	11 1 4 57 13 23	Heidelberg Utd	14 1 3 94 19 29
Moreland Mids	9 3 4 32 16 21	Northcote City	10 4 4 84 25 24
Melb Croatia	6 2 8 31 30 14	Nth Reservoir	7 4 7 49 49 18
Keon Park A	6 2 8 33 34 14	Melb Croatia	4 5 9 29 47 13
St Marks	3 1 12 18 54 7	Pascoe Vale	4 3 11 23 64 11
Northern United	1 4 11 11 60 6	New C'wood Utd	2 2 12 23 40 9
Diamond Creek	0 3 13 10 110 3	Bundoora	3 3 14 75 9

NORTHERN C		NORTHERN B	
Preston B	17 1 0 94 10 35	Thomastown	16 1 1 65 10 33
Rosanna	14 0 4 93 23 28	Bulleen	14 1 3 76 15 29
Keon Park B	12 0 6 52 20 24	Preston 'B'	13 2 3 52 13 28
Greensborough	9 1 8 31 45 19	Broadmeadows	9 2 7 37 35 20
Nth Reservoir B	3 1 3 39 17 17	Lalor Utd	7 5 6 34 26 19
Northcote Cy B	7 1 10 31 15 15	Northcote Cy 'B'	7 4 7 40 23 18
Lalor Utd B	6 2 10 26 36 14	Moreland Mids	7 4 7 26 29 19
B.U. Juventus B	5 1 12 17 35 11	Maribyrnong Utd	4 3 11 30 33 11
Sunshine G.X.	4 1 13 23 93 9	Eltham	2 0 16 9 98 4
Meadow Park	4 0 14 23 71 8	Greensborough	0 0 18 3 90 0

PENINSULA A		RICHMOND S/L	
Sth S.Vale A	13 0 1 82 14 26	Seaford	11 4 3 48 19 26
Peninsula	12 0 2 50 16 24	Preston 'A'	10 5 3 54 18 25
Berwick Cy A	9 0 5 45 24 18	Mornington 'A'	8 7 3 33 20 23
Skye Rovers	4 1 5 40 23 17	S.Melb Hellas 'A'	6 6 6 21 19 18
Dingley	2 8 8 35 27 10	St Albans	6 5 7 30 41 17
Springvale Utd	3 1 10 9 55 7	Croydon City 'A'	6 3 9 28 30 15
Seaford	3 0 11 15 53 6	Springvale Utd	5 5 8 24 31 15
Cranbourne	2 0 12 18 82 4	Fawkner	6 3 9 12 30 15

PENINSULA B		WESTERN B	
Parkmore	10 2 2 64 21 22	Brunswick City	12 2 2 52 15 26
North Dandenong	8 5 1 46 12 21	Highpoint	12 2 2 56 20 22
Lyndale	7 5 2 43 14 19	East Altona	10 3 3 60 25 23
Hastings	7 2 5 39 19 16	B.U. Juventus 'B'	1 5 13 17 21
Langwarrin A	5 4 5 22 23 14	West United	4 5 7 28 13 13
Sth Parkmore	5 3 6 22 21 13	St Marks	4 3 9 21 28 11
Rosebud	1 3 10 6 78 5	Hamlyn Rangers	2 1 13 15 69 5
Sth S.Vale B	0 2 12 11 55 2	Melton	0 0 16 0 81 0

WESTERN		UNDER 12	
Sunshine Hts A	17 4 0 112 10 38	CENTRAL/PEN	
North Geelong	14 5 2 86 15 33		
St Albans	15 2 4 86 19 32		
Green Gully A	13 4 4 63 18 30		
Altona City	12 1		



W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Heidelberg Utd	9	4	2	37	8 22
East Richmond	9	3	4	39	15 21
Sth Springvale	8	3	5	44	29 19
Dncster Rvrs A	8	3	4	31	21 19
Waverley City	7	5	5	21	14 19
Sth Dandenong	7	4	4	40	26 18
Malvern City	5	4	7	28	21 14
Caulfield City	4	1	12	22	4 9
Mulgrave	3	1	1	16	9 7
Fernree Gully	0	0	16	1102	0

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sth Melb Hellas	16	0	2	67	19 32
Doveton	11	3	4	39	19 25
Oakleigh	9	4	5	38	21 22
Springvale City	7	7	4	24	19 21
Mooroolbark	6	8	4	26	25 20
Port United	6	7	5	37	25 19
Lyndale	5	6	7	20	28 16
Claydon	4	4	10	23	46 12
Karingal 'A'	3	3	12	16	41 9
Sandringham	0	4	14	2	4 9

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Hawthorn	10	2	0	61	8 22
Glen Waverley	8	0	4	69	17 16
Brighton 'A'	7	1	4	35	26 17
Skye Rvrs 'B'	6	0	5	26	27 12
Beaumaris	4	1	7	23	43 9
Dingley	3	2	7	30	59 8
Seaford	0	2	10	3	6 7 2

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Brighton 'B'	10	1	4	44	6 21
Clairinda	9	1	4	31	10 19
Forest Hill	5	3	4	17	17 13
Box Hill 'A'	5	2	2	19	16 12
Croydon City A	3	2	7	16	35 8
Monbulk	3	2	7	15	37 3
Pakenham	1	1	10	9	30 3

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Mornington	13	1	0	66	5 27
Hampton Park	9	3	2	54	16 21
Karingal 'B'	7	4	3	26	18 18
Croydon City B	6	2	6	27	21 14
Cranbourne	6	2	6	21	24 14
Dnster Rvrs 'B'	3	2	9	10	46 8
Box Hill 'B'	2	2	10	12	62 6
Maccabi	1	2	11	7	31 4

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Footscray	13	4	1	58	25 30
Preston	13	3	2	58	20 29
East Geelong	12	4	2	46	20 28
Northcote City	8	3	7	27	27 19
Bell Park	8	2	8	30	33 18
Broadmeadows	8	1	9	38	30 17
Bulleen	6	3	9	26	28 15
B.U. Juventus	5	1	12	22	44 11
Altona City	2	3	13	31	53 7
Clifton Hill	2	2	14	24	80 6

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Green Gully	12	1	3	52	11 25
Moreland Mdw	10	4	2	57	10 24
Thomastown	8	5	3	42	13 21
East Altona	7	5	4	32	22 19
Lalor	6	3	7	33	37 15
Mossfield	5	3	8	15	23 13
West United	5	3	8	25	43 13
Nth Sunshine	4	1	11	13	42 9
Nth Rovers	2	1	13	6	74 5

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Nth Reservoir	11	0	3	47	16 22
Regent	8	3	3	29	19 18
Ascol Vale City	8	2	4	51	23 18
Yarraville	6	2	6	26	43 14
Fawkner 'B'	6	1	7	25	28 13
North United	5	2	7	15	34 12
Geelong	3	2	9	15	28 8
Western Suburbs	1	4	9	16	33 6

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Essendon City	11	1	0	46	8 23
Port Melbourne	7	3	2	40	26 17
Rosanna	5	1	6	35	31 11
Sunbury	3	4	5	11	13 10
Prahran St	3	3	6	19	25 9
East Preston	2	4	6	14	34 8
Sunshine Park	2	2	8	21	49 6

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Fawkner 'A'	10	4	2	34	8 24
Knox City	8	5	3	22	13 21
Sunshine Hgts	6	7	3	34	22 19
Melb Croatia	7	5	4	26	15 19
S.S.G.X.	7	4	5	21	20 17
Altona Gale	5	5	3	34	14 17
Skye Rovers 'A'	7	3	6	30	27 17
St Albans	3	3	10	22	37 9
Nunawading City	0	0	16	6	73 0

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Caulfield City	14	1	1	64	12 29
Oakleigh	13	3	0	62	29 19
Mordiallo	9	4	3	44	25 22
Sth Springvale	8	3	5	43	19 19
Springvale City	6	2	8	31	28 14
F.T. Gully 'A'	5	2	9	23	51 12
Springvale Utd	3	3	10	29	47 9
Clairinda	3	2	11	13	38 8
Box Hill	0	2	14	2	76 2

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sth Dandenong	15	1	2	82	13 31
Berwick City	14	3	1	68	7 31
Sth Parkmore	11	1	6	48	29 23
Keysborough	9	2	7	56	34 20
Waverley City A	8	2	8	47	34 18
Karingal	8	2	8	43	37 18
Sandringham	7	3	8	37	37 17
Melbourne	7	1	10	41	70 15
Waverley Utd	2	1	15	10	63 5
Frankston Pines	1	0	17	18	126 2

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Forest Hill	11	5	0	63	10 27
Nunawading Cy B	12	3	1	54	11 27
Mulgrave 'B'	11	3	2	35	16 25
Cranbourne	9	3	4	46	20 21
Doncaster Rvrs	5	4	7	21	27 14
Burwood Utd	5	3	8	27	37 13
Waverley Cy 'B'	3	2	11	26	51 8
Dandenong Cntrl	2	1	13	19	57 8
F.T. Gully 'B'	1	2	13	11	73 4

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sunshine Hgts	11	2	3	52	25 24
S.S.G.X.	10	3	3	30	14 23
B.U. Juventus	10	2	4	43	26 22
Lalor United	8	3	5	38	18 19
Bulleen	6	3	7	22	16 15
Altona City	5	2	7	27	34 12
West United	3	5	8	29	47 11
Brunswick City	3	4	9	24	49 10
Heidelberg Utd	3	2	11	16	52 8

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Clifton Hill	15	0	1	82	21 30
Thomastown	10	2	4	41	19 22
Bundoora	9	1	6	42	28 19
East Richmond	8	1	7	27	29 17
Meadow Park	7	2	7	31	27 16
Keilor	6	3	7	29	38 15
Broadmeadows	4	5	7	24	28 13
Keon Park	3	2	11	19	52 8
Greensborough	1	2	13	17	69 4

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Werribee	10	1	1	47	15 21
Essendon City	9	2	1	50	12 20
Ascol Vale City	8	0	4	36	16 16
Melton	5	0	7	28	39 10
Hamlyn Rangers	4	0	8	23	31 8
Geelong	3	1	8	17	46 7
Eltham	1	0	11	15	57 2

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
LALOR	10	6	2	42	18 26
Malvern City	9	6	3	47	25 24
Preston	9	6	3	41	22 24
Mulgrave 'A'	10	4	4	38	21 24
St Albans 'A'	10	4	4	40	25 24
Nunawading Cy A	5	8	5	19	22 18
Fawkner 'A'	4	4	10	23	36 12
Melb Croatia	4	4	10	21	36 12
Nth Geelong	3	5	10	26	47 11
Croydon City A	2	1	15	21	66 5

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Oakleigh	13	2	1	78	13 28
Heidelberg Utd	9	5	2	61	22 23
Springvale City	10	3	3	39	20 23
Box Hill	9	2	5	50	33 20
Malvern City	7	2	7	40	30 16
Croydon City	6	4	6	20	25 16
Clairinda	3	2	11	20	37 8
Kew Park Rngs	0	2	11	24	32 8
East Richmond	0	2	14	4	104 2

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Nunawading City	12	2	0	44	9 26
Seaford	9	2	3	39	17 20

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Doncaster Rvrs	7	4	3	31	21 13
Prahran Slavia	4	5	5	12	13
Mulgrave	3	3	8	15	30 9
Brighton	1	2	11	13	61 4
Lyndale	1	1	12	7	40 3

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Ringwood City	7	3	2	33	13 17
Mooroolbark	7	2	3	37	17 16
Karingal	7	1	4	31	17 15
Beaumaris	5	2	4	34	32 13
Eltham	5	2	3	37	26 12
Monbulk	3	0	9	11	52 6
Forest Hill	2	1	9	11	37 5

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Nth Geelong	13	2	1	98	6 28
Green Gully	13	1	2	63	18 27
Regent	10	2	4	47	17 22
Altona City	7	5	4	49	39 19
Moreland Mdw	6	4	6	24	38 16
Diamond Creek	5	3	8	24	51 13
Batman Utd	4	4	8	30	32 12
Geelong Utd	2	1	14	13	83 5
Watsonia	0	2	14	11	77 2

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Clifton Hill	12	3	1	55	15 27
Western Suburbs	9	3	4	41	30 21
Preston	7	5	4	35	26 19
Bulleen	6	6	4	23	16 18
West Utd	7	2	7	43	30 16
Hamlyn Rangers	5	3	8	28	36 13
Footscray	4	4	8	28	46 12
Northcote Cy B	2	5	9	23	43 9
Nth Reservoir	2	5	9	19	53 9

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
B.U. Juventus	14	1	1	48	7 29
S.S.G.X.	11	2	3	45	24 24
Sth Melb Hellas	5	6	5	35	31 16
Essendon City	5	5	6	24	25 15
Altona Gale	4	7	5	24	29 15
Thomastown	4	6	6	23	21 14
Waverley City	2	9	5	16	21 13
Frankston Pines	3	4	9	22	57 10
Waverley United	2	4	10	14	36 8

W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Clairinda	14	2	2	57	18 30
Heidelberg Utd	12	4	2	64	28 28
Sth Melb Hellas	10	6	2	64	17 26
B.U. Juventus	10	3	5	60	26 23
Melb Croatia	8	2	8	38	49 18
St Albans	5	6	7	22	41 16
Northcote City	5	4	9	42	50 14
Clifton Hill	4	3	11	29	46 11
Port Melbourne	1	7	10	14	54 9
West Brunswick	1	3	14	16	77 5

Portsmouth v. West Bromwich 2 Oldham	East Fife	4	4	18	19
English Division Three: Blackpool 1	Kilmarnock	2	4	13	18
Walsall 1, Bolton 1 Motts County 1	Montrose	2	4	13	18
Brentford 2 Newport 0, Bristol Rovers 3	Clyde	1	6	5	10
Chesterfield 2, Chester 0 Bristol City 3	Park	2	4	6	10
Darlington 0 Bournemouth 3, Gillingham	Brechin	2	2	8	20
1 Bury 0, Port Vale 0 Fulham 1	SCOTTISH DIV TWO				
1 Rotherham 1, Middlesbrough 4, York 1	Alloa	8	1	8	24
Mansfield 3	Raith	0	0	19	6
	Meadowbank	6	2	1	17





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# **NATIONAL GRAND FINAL**

## **FIRST LEG**

# **ADELAIDE JUVENTUS**



**BUGSY NYSKOHUS**

**VS**



**PETER RASKOPOULOS**

# **SYDNEY OLYMPIC**

**Hindmarsh Stadium Adelaide**

**SUNDAY 2.30pm**